

REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

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To: United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service
Yosemite National Park, California 95389

October 21, 1975

REGISTERED AIRMAIL

Attention:

United States Park Ranger
Investigator

FBI FILE NO.

b6 Per NPS
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PC-M1827 QQ
PC-M1890 QQ

Re:

YOUR NO. 75-1005

UNIDENTIFIED BODY FOUND IN
YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK,
CALIFORNIA

Clarence M. Kelley
Clarence M. Kelley
Director

Examination requested by: Addressee

Reference: Letters dated 9/1/75

Examination requested: Microscopic Analyses - Miscellaneous

Specimen received 9/15/75 under cover of letter dated 9/1/75
(PC-M1827 QQ):

Q1 Debris

Specimen received 9/17/75 under cover of letter dated 9/1/75
(PC-M1890 QQ):

Q2 Skeletal remains

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Result of examination:

A few light to dark brown Caucasian head hairs, which have been forcibly removed from the scalp, were found in the Q1 debris. However, due to the effects of weathering on these hairs, they are unsuitable for significant comparisons with head hairs of known origin. Numerous Caucasian body hairs,

① - SE (164-81) Enclosures (3) (Smithsonian Institute report and Enclosure 2 incoming letters)

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limb hairs and hair fragments, most of which have been forcibly removed from the skin, were also found in specimen Q1. These hairs and hair fragments are also unsuitable for significant comparisons with similar hairs of known origin. None of the above-mentioned hairs or hair fragments exhibit the effects of force, other than that previously described, the effects of fire or the effects of artificial treatment.

The Q2 skeletal remains were examined by Dr. J. Lawrence Angel, Curator of Physical Anthropology, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C. Dr. Angel's report is being furnished to your agency as an enclosure to this report.

Specimens Q1 and Q2 are being returned under separate cover by registered mail.

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Memorandum

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Department of Anthropology, Smithsonian Institution

SUBJECT: Partial human skeleton

The remains include: skull vault lacking almost all occiput, left vertex to nose root, face; vertebrae C₃, T₁₁ and 12, L₃, left ribs # 1 - 5, 9, 11, right ribs # 5, 8 - 11 with some ends broken post-mortem; pelvis; left humerus, right clavicle + scapula, femora, right tibia and fibula, right talus. The bone is generally tan color from soil staining (sandy dark soil with remains) but the right lower extremity and skull are sun-bleached white, indicating decay in a partly sheltered wooded (?) area and scattering. Remnants of dried ligaments at knees and a shred of scalp in the right vertex area contrast with some weathering cracks and the beginning of spongy bone decay and suggest sharp temperature change in a rather dry area; this fits the animal gnawing (rodents?) on right knee and left shoulder. Time since death may be from under two to five years (conceivably more) if death in the cool season explains persistence of some soft tissue.

Sex criteria are male.

Age criteria are from 20 (skull) to 27 years.

Race appears White based on limb proportions, pelvis, and 2 wavy brown hairs sticking to the scalp remnants.

Stature estimate is from 67 3/4 to 70 1/2" and build is average to slender.

Unfortunately there are no teeth for identification.

Possible identifying traits include: inward bowing of humerus; healed fractures of front part of right ilium and of front lips of bearing surfaces of right hip socket with consequent wear on the head-neck junction of the femur by the labrum and/or the ring fibers of the capsule (the left side shows a lesser degree of this same stress-wear, and a congenital obtuse femur neck angle may contribute); the preserved two vertebrae from the bottom end of the thoracic series suggest a very slight lateral curve with convexity to the left, and also show Schmorl herniations of the disks into the vertebral bodies; the skull vault seems a bit small (but restoration is uncertain).

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Possibly the skeletal damage to back and right hip occurred in a single accident (motorcycle? parachute-jumping?, a fall?) several years ago.

The fresh breaks of the shattered skull vault might in part have occurred at death (or soon after). A "dent" near the cartilage end of left rib #4 and a 5 - 10° inward bending fracture of right rib #9 in the mid-axillary line (but not on ribs 8 or 10) may also have occurred at death.



United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

P.O. BOX 577

YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK, CALIFORNIA 95389

IN REPLY REFER TO:

September 1, 1975

Mr. Clarence Kelly, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C. 20537

Attn: Laboratory

Re: Yosemite National Park ..
Case number 75-1005
Unattended death

Dear Mr. Kelly:

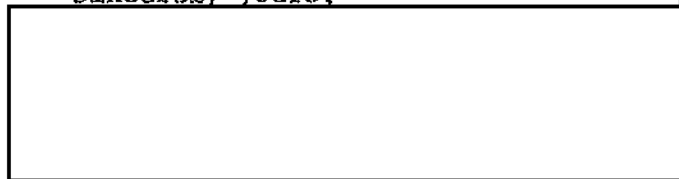
This package contains evidence from the above-mentioned case and is being sent to you for analysis.

We submit the enclosed hair specimen to determine the following:

1. Race of person originated from.
2. Body area hair originated from.
3. How hair was removed from body.
4. Whether hair is damaged by having been cut, crushed or burned.
5. Whether hair is altered in any manner, i.e. bleached or dyed.
6. Natural or artificially waved.

Thank you in advance for the use of your analysis services.

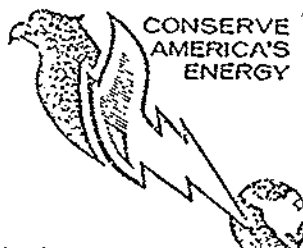
Sincerely yours,



U. S. Park Ranger-Investigator

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IN REPLY REFER TO:

September 1, 1975

Mr. Clarence Kelly, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D.C. 20537

Attn: Laboratory

Re: Yosemite National Park
Case number 75-1005
Subject: Unattended death

Gentlemen:

This package contains evidence from the above-mentioned case and is being sent to you for analysis for race, sex, approximate height and stature, approximate age at death and approximate time lapse since death.

Thank you in advance for the use of your laboratory services.

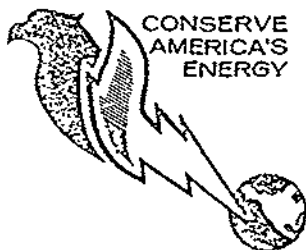
Sincerely yours,



U. S. Park Ranger-Investigator

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 2/21/80

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: NORJAK(A)
OO: SEATTLE

SUBS: DA

On 2/21/80, [REDACTED] LaCenter, Wash., telephone [REDACTED], advised that on the day after the D.B. COOPER skyjacking, he was contacted by the FBI at his residence. He stated he provided an Agent of the FBI, name unknown, a photograph of 7 or 8 skydivers belonging to the Century Sky-Divers. He said this photograph was loaned to the FBI and was for the purpose of attempting to aid the FBI. He said he was assured this photograph would be returned but to date, it has not been.

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[REDACTED] requested that his photograph be returned.

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SEATTLE AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

Will conduct a file review in this matter to determine if above mentioned photograph is there. In the event the photograph is there and no longer serves an evidentiary purpose, it should be sent to the Vancouver RA for subsequent return to [REDACTED].

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TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)
(OO:Seattle)

Re Butte airtel to Portland, 12/27/78.

Enclosed for Seattle is a business card of D. B. COOPER, Director, Airline Jump Operations, Cooper's Sky Diving School, Sky Harbor Field, Salem, Oregon.

As evidenced by the information contained in the enclosed card furnished Seattle, it appears the card is a novelty item of no investigative value. There is no Sky Harbor Field located at Salem, Oregon.

On 1/4/79, inquiries with officials at the Salem, Oregon, airport and the Salem Flight Service determined there are no sky diving schools located at Salem.

UAC Seattle, no additional inquiries will be made regarding Cooper's Sky Diving School.

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TO: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)
FROM: SAC, BUTTE (164-26) (RUC)
SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)
OO: Seattle

Enclosed for Portland is one business card of
D. B. COOPER, Director, COOPER's SKYDIVING SCHOOL,
Sky Harbor Field, Salem, Oregon.

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On 11/27/78, [REDACTED],
TREASURE ENTERPRISES, 3815 Rickenbacker Drive, Boise, Idaho,
advised a man came into her office sometime between
2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. on 11/22/78. He wanted to rent
a 172 Cessna airplane to go to San Francisco and San Diego
for three weeks.

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[REDACTED] said she could not approve the rental
that the man would have to talk to one of the company
officials. He then said he had an appointment and would
return later. He gave [REDACTED] a business card in the name
of D. B. COOPER, COOPER's SKYDIVING SERVICE, Salem, Oregon,
and left. He said he would return Monday, 11/27/78.

[REDACTED] described this man as follows:

Race
Sex

White
Male

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TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: January 2, 1974

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FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) (P)

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SUBJECT: NORJAK
OO: Seattle

For the information of Seattle, [redacted],
[redacted] U. S. Parachute Association, Monterey, California,
has in the past advised although he does not intend to be
uncooperative with the FBI in this investigation, his office
staff is rather small and his own work schedule usually
crowded and therefore, he would prefer checks of his
records be limited to those suspects on whom he might
provide worthwhile information.

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If any suspect has not been eliminated through
other investigation, and should Seattle desire other
specific information not otherwise obtained but which
might be available from the U. S. Parachute Association,
[redacted] will furnish same from his records.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

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RE: PARACHUTE INFORMATION

Re FD-302 reflecting interview with EARL J. COSSEY,
May 31, 1972.

Referenced 302 states COSSEY did check his records
for the serial numbers of the four parachutes involved in
this matter. To date, COSSEY has not provided this information,
although he has been recontacted several times since the in-
terview.

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SEATTLE DIVISION
At Seattle, Washington

Will discretely recontact COSSEY and determine if
the serial numbers for the parachutes are available.

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TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 8/23/72

FROM : C, CHICAGO (164-297) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK

OO: SEATTLE

Re New York airtel dated 7/24/72.

On August 15, 1972, Para-Gear Equipment Company, 5138 North Broadway, Chicago, Illinois, advised his company is one of the largest mail order sport parachuting equipment supply houses in the United States. He and have little direct contact with their customers. He has reviewed his files and the name COOPER does not appear.

advised he is from the Seattle area and came to Chicago one year ago. While in Seattle he sport parachuted for six years. He stated he did not recall having met anyone he felt could be identical to unknown subject.

stated in his opinion the person responsible for the hijacking is not a sport parachutist. He bases this opinion on the theory that sport parachutists have an emotional attachment to their equipment, and probably would not perform a jump with equipment not known to them. From the accounts he read concerning the hijacking he assumes the hijacker had military parachuting experience.

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SAC, CHICAGO

SAC, NEW YORK (164-627)(RUC)

NORJAK

OO: SEATTLE

For information of Chicago and Seattle, NYO has previously contacted officials of parachute centers in effort to develop possible suspects.

On 7/24/72

[redacted] New York Parachute Center advised SA [redacted] that he felt that two individuals having a wide acquaintance with sport parachutists were [redacted] the Para Gear Equipment Company at 5138 N. Broadway, Chicago, Illinois. [redacted] pointed out that regular jumpers have their identification on file and photos of jumpers at the Chicago firm might be reviewed and compared with the artist sketch of UNSUB if this has not already been done.

LEAD CHICAGO At Chicago, Illinois

Will contact personnel at Para Gear Equipment to ascertain if artist sketch of UNSUB resembles any individuals known to [redacted] as jumpers and ascertain whether feasible to review identification cards for parachutists for similarity to UNSUB sketch and description.

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SAC, BOSTON (164-153) (RUC)

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Re Boston nitel, 5/20/72, and New Haven airtel, 3/3/72, a copy of which is enclosed.

No additional investigation has been requested in this matter per renitel.

Investigation as requested in New Haven airtel was conducted at the Pepperell, Massachusetts Parachute Center; Turners Falls, Massachusetts Airport; Orange, Mass., Sport Parachuting Center, and [redacted] U.S. Parachute Association. All with negative results.

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AIRTEL

TO: SAC, BOSTON
FROM: SAC, NEW HAVEN (164-77) (P)
SUBJECT: NORJAK

On 1/31/72, [redacted] Conn. Parachutists, Inc., Ellington Airport, Ellington, Conn., provided a list of Skydiving Conference Sights in the Northeast, and their respective contact personnel.

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LEADS:

BOSTON

At Turnerfalls, Massachusetts

Attempt to contact [redacted] at Turnerfalls Airport and follow lead, which is set out below for all recipient offices.

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At Pepperrill, Massachusetts

Attempt to contact [redacted] (PH), at Pepperrill Airport and follow lead, which is set out below for all recipient offices.

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At North Quincy, Massachusetts

Attempt to contact [redacted] [redacted] Northeastern Conferences, at North Quincy Airport and follow lead, which is set out below for all recipient offices.

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At Orange, Massachusetts

Attempt to contact the Orange Sport Parachuting Center, at Orange, Mass., and follow lead, which is set out below for all recipient offices.

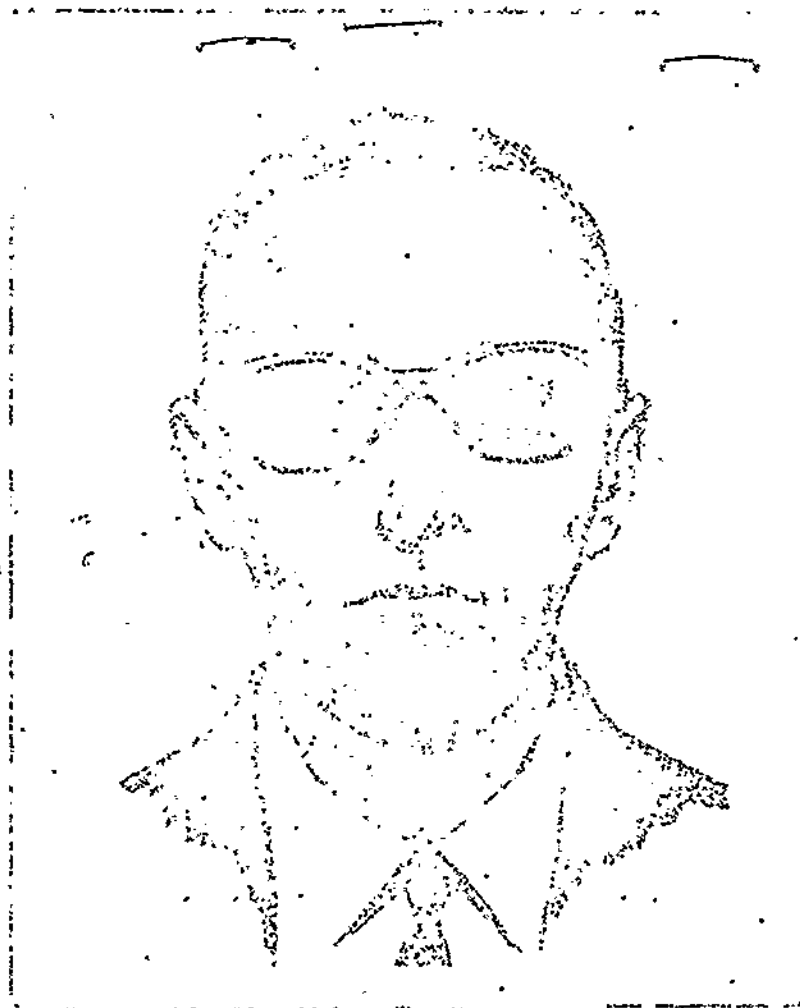
ALBANY:

At Greene, New York

Attempt to contact [redacted] at Greene Sport Parachute Center, Greene, New York, and follow lead, which is set out below for all recipient offices.

All recipient offices are requested to exhibit artist's conception of DAN COOPER, and interview regarding knowledge of the subject.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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SAC, SAN ANTONIO (164-111) (PUC)

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Rebulet to SE, 3/21/72.

Enclosed for Seattle are two copies each of two inserts covering investigation by San Antonio Division. Only two copies each are furnished since San Antonio does not know copy count of Seattle reports.

No specific leads remain outstanding for San Antonio and San Antonio will consider this case PUC.

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The following investigation was conducted by
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AT FORT HOOD (KILLEEN), TEXAS

On April 6, 1972, [redacted]
[redacted], West Fort Hood, who is [redacted] of the Fort
Hood Sports Parachute Club, located at West Fort Hood,
advised that there is no one presently a member of the club
who was a member of the club back in 1964. He stated there
was a club at Fort Hood in 1964, but that this club disbanded
in 1967 and was reformed in 1969. He stated that they had no
records of membership for the period prior to 1969.

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He further advised that the military does not have
an equivalent plane similar to the Northeast Airline planes
utilized by subject of this case. He stated the military
(air-borne unites) do jump from jets, but they use a 141,
which is a cargo jet and exit from the side door. He stated
he does not know of any sky diving clubs in the United States
that jump from any type of jet aircraft.

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NR 007 BS PLAIN

2:30.0. URGENT 5-20-72 BAM

TO: ACTING DIRECTOR (164-2111)

WFO (164-169)

ALEXANDRIA

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: BOSTON (164-153) 2P

RE: NORJAK

RE WFO NITEL TO ACTING DIRECTOR DATED MAY NINETEEN,
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INQUIRY THROUGH STATE AIRPORT, WARWICK, R.I. REVEALED
NO INFORMATION RE SKYDIVERS CLUB CURRENTLY OPERATING
IN R.I.

DISCREET INQUIRY THROUGH ORANGE SPORT PARACHUTE
SCHOOL, ORANGE, MASS. (ONLY SKYDIVING REFERENCE IN R.I.
TELEPHONE DIRECTORY), REVEALED A CLUB POSSIBLY KNOWN AS
R.I. SKYDIVERS OR R.I. PARACHUTISTS, APPROXIMATELY THRITY
FIVE TO FORTY MEMBERS, JUMP REGULARLY AT ORANGE AIRPORT,
ORANGE, MASS. CLUB HEADQUARTERS LOCATED AT MURPH'S LOUNGE,
THREE ONE ZERO WATERMAN AVE., ESMOND, R.I. [REDACTED]

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CITY DIRECTORY FOR WEST BARRINGTON, R.I. INDICATES [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] RESIDES AT [REDACTED], AND

LISTED BUSINESS AS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WEST BARRINGTON, R.I.

TELEPHONE DIRECTORY INDICATED [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]
BOSTON INDICES NEGATIVE RE ABOVE INDIVIDUALS AND
R.I. SKYDIVING CLUB.

ADDITIONAL INVESTIGATION RE THE ABOVE BEING HELD
IN OBEYANCE PENDING OUTCOME OF INVESTIGATION IN THE
ALEXANDRIA DIVISION.

UNSUB SHOULD BE CONSIDERED DANGEROUS.

END

MGFBI SEATTLE [REDACTED]

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

5/10/72

SAC, COLUMBIA (164-48) (RUC)

NORJAK
(OO: SEATTLE)

ReCOlet to SE, 4/13/72.

Photograph of unknown subjects shown to [redacted]
[redacted], both of Denmark, S. C.,
on 5/3/72, [redacted] of the Viking Parachute Club, Barnwell,
S. C. These individuals advised they had never seen anyone
resembling the subject.

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1 - Columbia

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Date: 4/28/72

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL _____ (Priority)

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

OM: SAC, DETROIT (164-115) -P-

SUBJECT: NORJAK

Re: Detroit teletype to Seattle, 2/28/72 of Suspect

[redacted] Detroit Bank and Trust Co., Detroit, Michigan, advised [redacted] has both savings and checking accounts with their branch located at Maple and Orchard Lake Roads and there have been no unusual transactions with either account. The only activity out of the ordinary occurred on 1/14/72 when he withdrew \$745.00 from his savings account and deposited it in his checking account giving him a balance of \$1,308.16. On 1/28/72 [redacted] wrote a check for \$879.00 on this checking account.

The sketch of the unsub in this case has been furnished to Midwest Parachute Sales and Service, 46901 Grand River, Novi, Michigan, and Midwest Sport Parachuting Center, 7621 Pardee, Taylor, Michigan. No positive information has been received from either of these sources.

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Special Agent in Charge

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-181)

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SAC, KANSAS CITY (164-80)

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Re Phoenix letter to Kansas City, 3/15/72.

The following investigation was conducted by
SA [REDACTED]

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AT TOPEKA, KANSAS:

On March 31, 1972, [REDACTED]
Forbes Air Force Base, advised he has a drop zone known as
Skyport, Inc., at Tucson, Arizona, and has been an active
participant in sports parachuting for several years. He
observed the artist's conception of the unknown subject in
this case and advised this person is unknown to him, nor does
he know anyone engaged in sport parachuting or parachuting
activity who is similar in appearance. He advised he had
previously seen this drawing in a sport parachuting magazine
and noted the person was reportedly about forty years of age.
He advised he has never known anyone participating in sport
parachuting who is that old.

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1 Phoenix (164-100)(Info.)
2 Kansas City

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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SAC, COLUMBIA (164-48) (P)

NORJAK
(OO: SEATTLE)

ReCOlet to Seattle dated 2/28/72.

Photo of unknown subject shown Cool Blue Sky
Diving Club, Frogmore, S. C., 1/18/72 with negative
results.

On 3/22/72 it was determined the Viking
Parachute Club, Barnwell, S. C. is operated by
residents of Denmark, S. C. Personnel Barnwell
Airport, Barnwell, S. C. unable to identify photo
of unknown subject.

Columbia will report any pertinent information
developed in Denmark, S. C. regarding parachute club
that uses Barnwell, S. C. Airport.

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2 - Columbia

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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SAC, BALTIMORE (164-103) RUC

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Re Seattle airtel to Baltimore, 3/16/72,
and Bureau airtel to all field offices, 12/7/71.

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Referenced Seattle airtel eliminated suspect
[redacted] the only suspect in Baltimore Division,
which had not been resolved.

Referenced Bureau airtel requested that
proper dissemination be made to all parachute clubs
in each division concerning information on hijacker.

Information was provided to the only two
active parachute clubs in Baltimore Division, Pelacan
Sports Aviation, Ridgely, Maryland and Southern Cross
Parachute Sport Club, Downsville, Maryland. Contact
with these clubs provided negative results.

In addition to contacting parachute clubs,
the list of ransom bills were distributed to all local
law enforcement agencies and major banks in the Baltimore
Division.

If any positive information is developed in
Baltimore, it will expeditiously be forwarded to Seattle.

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1 - Baltimore
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-479)

FROM : SAC, TAMPA (164-110) (RUC)

SUBJECT: NORJACK

DATE: 3/29/72

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Re Bureau airtel to all offices dated 11/29/71.

For information of Seattle, the distribution of ransom list, description and composite drawing have been sent to all major police departments in the Tampa Division. Contact with known parachute and skydiving clubs have failed to develop any suspects.

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3/29/72

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL - REGISTERED

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (164-50)(P)

NORJAK

ReSEairtel, 2/14/72.

Contact with sport parachute clubs, parachute schools, and USPA Area Safety Officers in the Sacramento Division, as listed in enclosure to reairtel, has produced no pertinent information relating to the possible identification of UNSUB in this case. All persons contacted were keenly aware of the Bureau's investigative interest in NORJAK and had seen the artist's conception of the UNSUB in national parachute magazines or through the news media in late November, 1971.

CONSIDER UNSUB ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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1 - Sacramento
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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

3/17/72

SAC, JACKSONVILLE (164-109) (RUG)

NORJAK
OO: SEATTLE

Re Jacksonville airtel to Seattle, 1/20/72,
and Seattle letter to San Francisco, 2/4/72.

The following investigation was conducted by
the Jacksonville Division:

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On 2/8/72, [redacted], Pensacola
Flying Service, Pensacola, Fla., advised SA [redacted]
[redacted] the only parachuting in the area is handled at
the airport at Milton, Fla.

On 2/8/72, [redacted]
[redacted], Milton Flying Service, Milton,
Fla., advised SA [redacted] that all sport parachuting has
been terminated at Milton and there is no club in the
area. Both advised they do not recognize the artist
conception drawing of the subject.

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On 2/11/72, and again on 3/3/72, [redacted]
[redacted], Jacksonville, Fla.,
[redacted] for the U. S. Parachute Association
and a [redacted], Jacksonville,
Fla., was contacted by SA [redacted] but developed
no additional information regarding identity of the
subject of this case. He did advise that an article
has recently been published in "The Parachutist", the
monthly news magazine of the USPA, soliciting assistance
from its members in attempt to identify the unknown
subject, which article featured the artist conception
of the unknown subject.

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He was advised that the only known reward money
offered to date in captioned case is a \$5,000 reward
being offered by the "Seattle Post-Intelligencer",
Seattle, Washington.

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1 - Jacksonville
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, KANSAS CITY

FROM : SAC, PHOENIX (164-100) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK
OO: SEATTLE

DATE: 3/15/72

UNSUB SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

For information of receiving office:

List of names and addresses of those persons having parachute jumping clubs or involved with clubs in the Arizona, reveal [redacted] Tucson, Arizona. Attempts to contact [redacted] in Tucson, Arizona, were negative.

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Person in position to know advised on 3/10/72, that [redacted] had moved on [redacted] [redacted], Forbes AFB, Kansas.

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LEADS

KANSAS CITY DIVISION

AT TOPEKA, KANSAS

Attempt to contact [redacted] at Forbes AFB and show photo of unsub [redacted] for information of value - send such to office of origin.

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- 2 - Kansas City
- 2 - Seattle (164-81)
- 2 - Phoenix

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AIRTEL

TO: SAC, BOSTON
FROM: SAC, NEW HAVEN (164-77) (P)
SUBJECT: NOEJAE

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On 1/31/72, [redacted] Conn. Parachutists, Inc., Ellington Airport, Ellington, Conn., provided a list of Skydiving Conference Sites in the Northeast, and their respective contact personnel.

LEADS:

BOSTON

At Turnerfalls, Massachusetts

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Attempt to contact [redacted] at Turnerfalls Airport and follow lead, which is set out below for all recipient offices.

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At Pepperrill, Massachusetts

Attempt to contact [redacted] (PH), at Pepperrill Airport and follow lead, which is set out below for all recipient offices.

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At North Quincy, Massachusetts

Attempt to contact [redacted] Northeastern Conferences, at North Quincy Airport and follow lead, which is set out below for all recipient offices.

6-Boston

2-Albany

2-New Haven

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At Orange, Massachusetts

Attempt to contact the Orange Sport Parachuting Center, at Orange, Mass., and follow lead, which is set out below for all recipient offices.

ALBANY:

At Greene, New York

Attempt to contact [redacted], at Greene Sport Parachute Center, Greene, New York, and follow lead, which is set out below for all recipient offices.

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All recipient offices are requested to exhibit artist's conception of DAN COOPER, and interview regarding knowledge of the subject.

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

3/10/72

SAC, ALEXANDRIA (164-72) (^P~~RUC~~)

NORJAK
(OO:SEATTLE)

Re Alexandria letter to Seattle, 3/2/72; and
Richmond letter to Alexandria, 2/3/72.

Enclosed for Seattle are three copies of an
investigative insert reflecting investigation conducted
at Manassas, Va., to locate subject through interviews
of individuals set out as leads in referenced Richmond
communication.

② - Seattle (Enc. 3)
1 - Alexandria
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The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted], at Manassas, Virginia, on March 1, 1972:

[redacted]
home phone [redacted], was contacted and he advised he is employed as [redacted] at Dulles International Airport, Chantilly, Virginia.

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[redacted] has been employed [redacted] for approximately [redacted] has been a sky diver since approximately 1966 and he is currently a member of the St. Michael's Angels Sky Diving Club. [redacted] advised he has seen the composite photo of the subject, D. COOPER, in the January, 1972, issue of Parachute, a sky diving magazine. [redacted] knows of no one who resembles the composite of COOPER.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

2/2/72

SAC, ALEXANDRIA (164-72) (P)

NORJAE
(OO: SEATTLE)

Re Richmond letter to Alexandria, 2/3/72.

Enclosed for Seattle and WFO are two copies each of an investigative insert reflecting investigation conducted in the Alexandria Division to locate subject through interview of individuals set out as leads in referenced communication.

Any leads to be developed from enclosed insert being left to the discretion of the OO.

LEAD:

ALEXANDRIA

AT MANASSAS, VA.: Locate and interview

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- ② - Seattle (164-81) (Enc. 2)
- 2 - WFO (164-169) (Enc. 2)
- 2 - Alexandria (164-81)

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The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted], at Culpeper, Virginia:

[redacted] Culpeper Municipal Airport, Route 677, advised on February 15, 1972, the Tri-Par Sky Diving Club operates on weekends at Culpeper Municipal Airport. The [redacted] who resides [redacted] [redacted] Connecticut, telephone [redacted]

[redacted] stated after observing an FBI composite drawing of D. B. COOPER that the drawing does not resemble any member of the Tri-Par Club who is known to him. [redacted] suggested [redacted] be contacted for the names of each member of the club and that they be shown the composite drawing inasmuch as the members frequently travel nationwide to various sky diving meets and shows and may recall COOPER as a participant.

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[redacted] further advised the Tri-Par Club does not meet regularly in Culpeper and he could provide no date when [redacted] or other club members could be contacted.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted]:

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[redacted] which [redacted] [redacted] Virginia, advised [redacted] has an office at Richmond, Virginia, where he would be able to be contacted. The address is [redacted] [redacted] Richmond, Virginia, 23219, telephone [redacted] or [redacted]

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[redacted] was contacted on February 23, 1972, at his residence [redacted] [redacted] Virginia. [redacted] advised that he is a sky diver and knows many of the people actively involved in sky diving in the Virginia area. [redacted] advised he has seen the composite photo of the subject, D. COOPER, in the January, 1972, issue of Parachute, a sky

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

2/28/72

SAC, COLUMBIA (164-48) (P)

NORJAK

OO: SEATTLE

Re SE airtel to CO 2/2/72, and CO SAC memo,
dated 1/6/71.

The following person were contacted on 2/8,11/72,
at Aviation Schools, Columbia, S. C., by SA TRENT D.
SIPLE and were shown composite drawings of unknown subject
with and without glasses. None were able to identify
this person as anyone they knew:

[REDACTED]
Columbia Metropolitan Airport

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[REDACTED]
Columbia Metropolitan Airport

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED], Columbia
Metropolitan Airport

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED], Owens Air Field

[REDACTED] advised the only parachute group in
this area is located at Barnwell, S. C.

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Columbia is in the process of making additional
copies of the unknown subject without glasses for the
Columbia Resident Agencies. Seattle will be advised of
these contacts.

LEADS:

COLUMBIA DIVISION

2-Seattle
2-Columbia
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AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

FROM: SAC, WFO (164-169) (P)

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Re WFO airtel to Bureau, dated 1/24/72.

Enclosed for the Bureau and Seattle is one copy for each of the February, 1972, issue of "Air Line Pilot," the monthly magazine of the Air Line Pilot's Association (ALPA).

Re Air Line Pilot's Association

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On 2/10/72, enclosed magazines were received by WFO from [redacted], ALPA, 1329 E Street, N.W., Washington, D. C. (WDC). Page 29 of the magazine contains information and composite photographs concerning captioned matter.

As previously noted in re airtel, this magazine has a world wide circulation of over 40,000.

UNSUB CONSIDERED DANGEROUS.

magazine in main file only

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- ② - Seattle (164-81) (Enc. 1) *rec'd*
- 1 - WFO

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Date:

2/10/72

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via Airtel _____
(Priority)

To: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

From: SAC, PHOENIX (164-100) (P)

Subject: NORJAK

OO: SEATTLE

UNSUB SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

ReBUairtel to Albany, 12/7/71, and Seattle nitel to Butte, Montana, 12/20/71.

Enclosed for Seattle are two copies of investigative insert reflecting investigation within the Phoenix Division, and two copies of an administrative insert.

LEAD

PHOENIX DIVISION

AT TUCSON, ARIZONA

Will contact appropriate information to secure photograph of [] and/or any necessary information to possibly eliminate [] as a suspect in this matter.

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Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____

Special Agent in Charge

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The following investigation was conducted by SA []
[] at Phoenix, Arizona:

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On December 6, 1971, a memo to all agents, including an artist's conception of the unknown subject, was disseminated in the Phoenix Division regarding the subject's hijacking.

The following investigation was conducted by SA []
[], at Phoenix, Arizona:

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On December 31, 1971, a memo was disseminated to each resident agency within the Phoenix Division requesting that all parachute clubs and associations be contacted for possible information concerning the unknown subject.

The following investigation was conducted by SA []
[], at Flagstaff, Arizona:

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On December 18, 1971, [], Coconino County Sheriff's office, advised that there were no known parachute clubs or associations within the area of the Flagstaff resident agency area.

The following investigation was conducted by SA []
[] at Kingman, Arizona:

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Contacts with local law enforcement agencies reveal there are not any parachute clubs in Mohave County, Arizona.

The following investigation was conducted by SA []
[], at Phoenix, Arizona:

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On December 20, 1971, [], U. S. Parachute Service, 6876 East Baseline, Mesa, Arizona, was contacted regarding captioned matter. He stated the only person he would consider capable of performing subject hijacking would be a parachutist named []. However, he advised [] was approximately [] and did not match the description of the Unsub.

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[] stated [] of the Regional Office of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Sky Harbor Airport, Phoenix, would have a photograph of [] in the event it was necessary to pursue this line of investigation any further.

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[] stated the only man named [] to his knowledge was a [] in Coolidge, Arizona. He further advised, however, that [] did not match the description of the Unknown subject.

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[] furnished the following list of names and addresses of those persons having parachute jumping clubs or involved with the clubs in the Arizona area:

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Sky-Hi Pioneers

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(Club: 40th Street, north of Bell Road)

Southwest Aviation
1800 W. Deer Valley Drive
Deer Valley Airport
Phoenix, Arizona
Phone 942-3691
(Owns aircraft used Coolidge/Florence Airport)

[]
Parachuting Limited

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[]
[] at Coolidge Airport)

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[redacted]
Rebel Skydivers

[redacted]

[redacted] of Rebel Skydivers)

[redacted]
Sky Sport, Inc.

[redacted]

[redacted] at Ryan Field, Tucson)

On December 21, 1971, and December 28, 1971, attempts were made to contact [redacted], Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) which met with negative results.

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On January 4, 1972, attempts to contact [redacted], [redacted], met with negative results.

On January 5, 1972, [redacted] was interviewed at his place of employment, [redacted]. [redacted]

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[redacted] stated he is the [redacted] for the U. S. parachute association for the Phoenix-Coolidge, Arizona area. He advised that the artist's conception of the unknown subject does not at all resemble [redacted].

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[redacted] further stated the artist's conception did not resemble any of those persons known to him that are associated, with parachute jumping in the state of Arizona. [redacted] was given a copy of the artist's conception and was requested to contact the Phoenix FBI office in the event he encountered someone that resembled the Unknown subject.

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[redacted] (Winslow, Arizona, Airport)

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[redacted] Flagstaff Air-Soaring Club)

The following investigation was conducted by
SA [redacted], at Phoenix, Arizona:

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On January 19, 1972, a memorandum to all Agents was disseminated throughout the Phoenix Division noting that all local informants and sources be contacted for information of lead value concerning NORJAK.

On January 26, 1972, [redacted] stated [redacted] that jumps [redacted] in Phoenix. She advised she is familiar with a jumper named [redacted], but that he in no way, resembles the artist's conception of the Unknown Subject. She stated the artist's conception did not resemble any one she is acquainted with in the field of parachute jumping in the State of Arizona.

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[redacted] was given a copy of the artist's conception for future reference.

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On January 26, 1972, and January 31, 1972, attempts to contact [redacted], Southwest Aviation, 1800 West Deer Valley Drive, Deer Valley Airport, met with negative results.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

The following sources were contacted by SA [redacted]
[redacted] for information of lead value with
negative results;

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO : SAC, SACRAMENTO (164-50)
FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (164-61) (P)
SUBJECT: NORJAK

Re Sacramento airtel to Seattle, 2-11-72.

Enclosed herewith are two xerox copies of listings of the United States Parachute Association (USPA) Affiliated Clubs, Drop Zones, Area Safety Officers, FAA Officers, and Certified Parachute Lofts within the State of California.

USPA membership lists in the Sacramento area are not being forwarded as requested since it is not deemed necessary at this time to contact each individual member regarding subject.

Sacramento division may limit contacts and exhibition of subject's photograph to official representatives of USPA Clubs, Drop Zones, Safety Officers, and Lofts within its territories as contained in the enclosed list.

- 2 - Sacramento (Enclosures 2)
- 3 - Seattle

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- The national parachuting association of the United States of America.
- A non-profit division of the National Aeronautic Association.
- The official representative of the Federation Aeronautique Internationale for parachuting in the United States.
- A national representative body in the United States for parachutists, parachute riggers, and the parachute industry.
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- Encourage the study and knowledge of parachuting among the membership and the general public.
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- Cooperate with all governmental agencies dealing with aeronautics in order to promote the public safety.
- Select and train the United States Parachute Team for international competition.
- Foster and encourage the development of parachuting as an inter-collegiate sport, through its affiliate, the National Collegiate Parachuting League.
- Cooperate with other sporting aviation groups in the preservation and promotion of sporting and general aviation activities within the United States.

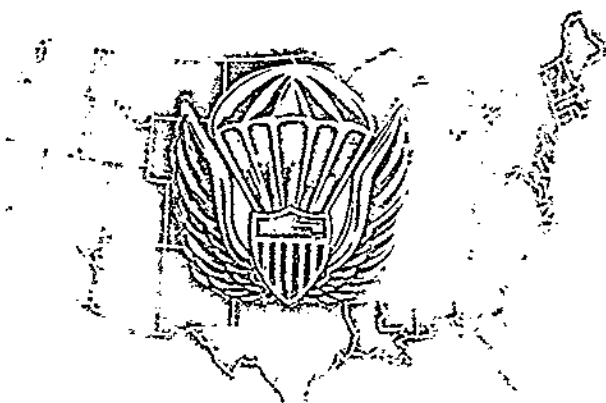
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2/11/72

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL - REGISTERED

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (164-50)(P)

NORJAK

OO: SE

ReSCairtel, 12/21/71.

Seattle is requested to provide information concerning USPA clubs and membership in Sacramento Division.

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1 - Sacramento
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AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)
FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (164-50) (P)
SUBJECT: NORJACK
OO: SEATTLE

Re Sacramento tel 12/13/71 and San Francisco tel 12/14/71, concerning obtaining list of United States Parachute Association Clubs and Members.

Referenced San Francisco tel set forth that a list of all affiliated clubs of USPA for entire United States already furnished Seattle along with an index of membership that association for California.

Seattle requested provide above information to Sacramento for handling of this case in their division.

② - Seattle
2 - Sacramento
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 12/3/71

[redacted]
[redacted], phone [redacted], a passenger on Northwest flight 305, on November 24, 1971, provided the following information:

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After the airplane landed in Seattle, she observed the hijacker leave the seat in which he was seated and proceeded to the restroom at the rear of the plane. He remained there for about a minute. When he returned from the restroom, she observed the hijacker carrying a dark colored attache case in both of his arms. The case was on its side. On top of the case was a bag.

[redacted] described this bag as follows:

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Approximately 4" deep, width and height approximately the same as the width and height of the attache case. The bag was of cloth composition, possibly manila or burlap. The bag was of a light color, possibly very light yellow and possibly with a very light pink tinge. [redacted] stated that she thinks the bag was fairly smooth on the side which was up. [redacted] stated she did not, at anytime, see what was in the bag. She has no idea what was in the bag.

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Interviewed on 12/2/71 at [redacted] File # SE 164-81-2267
by SA [redacted] slb Date dictated 12/3/71

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

2/9/72

SAC, KNOXVILLE (164-35) (P)

NORJAK

Re Bureau airtel to all offices 12/7/71.

For information Seattle Office, the composite drawing of the unknown subject has been disseminated to all parachute clubs and associated groups in the Knoxville Division. Personal contacts have been made with key members of such organizations.

Since no information of positive nature obtained, complete details such requires not been forwarded to office of origin.

Seattle will be advised of any pertinent information developed.

2 - Seattle
2 - Knoxville

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TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)
 FROM: SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (164-56) (P)

NORJACK

Re Jacksonville airtel to Seattle, dated 1/20/72.

The following investigation was conducted by
 SA [redacted]:

AT MUSKOGEE, OKLAHOMA

On 2/2/72, U. S. Deputy Marshal [redacted] advised he [redacted] of the Tahlequah Sky Divers Club at Tahlequah, Oklahoma. [redacted] advised there are approximately 30 members in the Club and none of the them are at all similar to the artist's conception of DAN COOPER nor is there anyone in the club with a name similar to DAN COOPER. [redacted] advised the Sky Diver World Meet is scheduled to take place at Tahlequah, Oklahoma, during August of 1972, and the National Meet taking place between June 19 and 27, 1972. [redacted] advised [redacted] of Tahlequah, Oklahoma, would head the committee for the World Meet and he [redacted] would help on the committee for the National Meet at Tahlequah. [redacted] advised he will be happy to circulate the photo of the artist's conception among members of the Tahlequah Sky Divers during the coming meets to attempt to locate DAN COOPER.

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 Special Agent in Charge

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

2/9/72

SAC, ALEXANDRIA (164-72) (P)

NORJAK

Re Seattle letter to Alexandria, 1/26/72.

Enclosed for Seattle is one copy of Richmond letter to Alexandria, 12/30/71.

On 2/3/72, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Va., advised that the only other sky diving club he was aware of in the northern Virginia area with the exception of military clubs is the Tri-Par Club located in Culpeper, Va. [REDACTED] stated he believed the club operates out of the Culpeper Municipal Airport.

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AT CULPEPER, VA. Will contact Tri-Par Club, in order to determine from the membership of the Tri-Par Club if any of their members or past members could possibly be identical to unknown subject.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

- (2) - Seattle (Enc. 1)
3 - Alexandria
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, ALEXANDRIA

DATE: 12/30/71

FROM : *[Signature]* RICHMOND (164-74) -P-

SUBJECT: MURKIN
(OO: SEATTLE)

In an effort to locate and identify sky diving clubs in the Richmond, Virginia territory, contact was made with Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), GADO, Byrd Field, Sandston, Virginia, and although FAA does not license these clubs, they did maintain a list of clubs in their territory, which was compiled in 1967.

The list furnished by FAA does not cover the Virginia counties of Rockingham, Greene, Madison, Culpeper and Stafford and all counties of Virginia north of these. These counties are covered by the FAA, FSDO, Washington National Airport, Washington, D. C.

Furthermore, the FAA list did not cover Virginia counties Giles, Pulaski and Carroll or the Virginia counties west of these. The counties in this area are covered by the FAA, GADO, Kanawha County Airport, Administration Building, Charleston, West Virginia.

The following sky diver clubs as furnished by FAA are located in the Norfolk territory:

1. Norfolk Sky Divers - to be contacted through *[Redacted]* Newport News, Virginia.

2. Peninsula Sky divers - to be contacted through *[Redacted]* Yorktown, Virginia.

3. Tidewater Navy Sky Divers - to be contacted through the U. S. Naval Amphibious Base, Little Creek, Virginia. This club meets at NAS, Oceana, Virginia.

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3 - Norfolk
2 - Pittsburgh
2 - Richmond
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, ALEXANDRIA

DATE: 2/3/72

FROM : SAC, RICHMOND (164-74) - P -

SUBJECT: NORJAK
(OO: SEATTLE)

Enclosed for Alexandria, Norfolk, and Seattle are 2 copies each of an investigative insert reflecting investigation conducted in Richmond Division to locate subject through licensed sky divers in the State of Virginia.

The following leads are set forth based on investigation made at the Virginia Division of Aeronautics, Richmond, Va.:

LEADS:

ALEXANDRIA:

AT ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA:

1. Locate and interview [redacted]

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2. Locate and interview [redacted]

3. Locate and interview [redacted]

[redacted] Greenwood Flying Service, Culpeper, Va. [redacted]

4. Locate and interview [redacted]

[redacted] - Fauquier Air Park Drop Zone [redacted]
[redacted] Alexandria, Va.

- 3 - Alexandria (Encl. 2)
 - 2 - Norfolk (Encl. 2)
 - ② - Seattle (164-81) (Encl. 2)
 - 4 - Richmond
- DMC/lsw
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The following investigation was conducted by
SA [redacted] at Fort Lee, Virginia:

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On December 16, 1971, [redacted]
[redacted] Fort Lee, Virginia,
advised that the Fort Lee Sky Divers is no longer in existence
as a club. All persons at Fort Lee interested in parachute
jumping go to the Lynchburg, Virginia area or the club in
Norfolk, Virginia, or the one at Roanoke Rapids, North
Carolina.

[redacted] stated he knew of no jumper named
COOPER or of any jumper who might fit the description as
characterized by the artist conception shown to him.

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[redacted] further checked the personnel list
at Fort Lee, Virginia for anyone by the name of COOPER and
could locate none.

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[redacted] stated that he believes all
parachute clubs are registered with the United States
Parachute Association, P. O. Box 109, Monterey, California,
93940.

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The following investigation was conducted by
SA [redacted] at Richmond, Virginia:

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On January 17, 1972, [redacted]
[redacted]
Richmond, Virginia, advised that he [redacted]
[redacted]. He knows of no members by the name of COOPER,
nor does he recall any member fitting the description of the
artist conception of the Unknown Subject.

On January 18, 1972, [redacted]
Division of Aeronautics, Virginia State Corporation Commission,
furnished for review records of all licensed parachutists as

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well as drop areas in the State of Virginia. Inasmuch as the Unknown Subject in this case is described as in his mid-forties, all parachutists whose birthdate was recorded with the Division of Aeronautics that would come close to this age bracket were listed as well as those jumpers named COOPER. This listing is as follows:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BIRTHDATE</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	Richmond, Virginia
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	Buchanan, Virginia
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	McLean, Virginia
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED] Madison Heights, Virginia
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED] Waynesboro, Virginia
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED] Lynchburg, Virginia
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED] Staunton, Virginia
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED] Charlottesville, Virginia
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	Richmond, Virginia

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Hampton, Virginia

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Alexandria, Virginia

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Harrisonburg, Virginia

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Waynesboro, Virginia

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Manassas, Virginia

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Charlottesville,
Virginia

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Alexandria, Virginia

The following are those companies being issued
permanent drop zone permits by the Virginia Division of
Aeronautics:

Greenwood's Flying Service
Culpeper, Virginia Municipal Airport

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED], Alexandria, Virginia

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Shenandoah Valley Sky Divers
Waynesboro, Virginia

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED], Waynesboro, Virginia

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Staunton, Virginia

New London Sky Divers

[REDACTED]

Lynchburg, Virginia

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New Castle International Airport Drop Zone

[REDACTED]

Salem, Virginia

Warrenton - Fauquier Air Park

[REDACTED]

Alexandria, Virginia

Peninsula Sky Divers

West Point, Virginia Airport Drop Zone

[REDACTED]

Virginia and
Hampton, Virginia

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Suffolk Municipal Airport Drop Zone at Kale's
Aviation Service

[REDACTED]

, Suffolk, Virginia

Flying Circus Airdrome Drop Zone

Fauquier County, Virginia

[REDACTED]

Fairfax, Virginia and

[REDACTED]

Fairfax, Virginia.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM : SAC, ALEXANDRIA (164-72) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK

DATE: 1/26/72

Re Richmond letter to Alexandria and Seattle
12/30/71.

On 12/14/72, information regarding the captioned matter was disseminated to all agents in the Alexandria Division.

Contacts with local, Washington National Airport, and Dulles International Airport police were negative. Informant contacts provided no information regarding the captioned matter. All logical sources have been contacted with negative results.

On 1/18/72, [redacted], Federal Aviation Administration, Washington National Airport, advised that his office does not keep any records of skydiving clubs. [redacted] stated that Hartwood Aviation, Inc., Hartwood, Virginia, would have knowledge of the skydiving clubs in the Northern Virginia area.

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LEAD:

ALEXANDRIA:

AT HARTWOOD, VIRGINIA

Will contact Hartwood Aviation, Inc., telephone 703-752-4784, Hartwood, Virginia, in an effort to obtain a list of skydiving clubs in the Virginia counties of Rockingham, Greene, Madison, Culpeper, and Stafford and all counties north of these.

- ② - Seattle (164-81)
1 - Richmond (164-74) (Info.)
3 - Alexandria (164-72)
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DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

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SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)

Sub *[Signature]*

NORJAK

Enclosed for the Bureau and for Seattle is one copy each of the January, 1972 issue of the "Parachutist," the monthly publication of the U.S. Parachute Association.

On page 3 is the artist's conception of the UNSUB, along with his description, and a notice to contact the nearest FBI Office if any information is received which might lead to his identity.

2 - Bureau (Encl. 1)
1 - Seattle (164-81)
1 - San Francisco
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

FROM: SAC, WFO (164-169) (P)

NORJAK

Re Bureau teletype to WFO, dated 12/30/71.

Enclosed for the Bureau is one and for Seattle two copies of the January, 1972, issue of the "Pilot Bulletin," the monthly publication of the Air Line Pilots Association (ALPA).

Re Air Line Pilots Association:

On 1/7/72, [REDACTED] ALPA, 1329 E Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. (WDC), advised that the "Pilot Bulletin" has a circulation of 31,000 and that the bulletin is currently being mailed to ALPA members.

It is noted that page 7 of the bulletin contains composite photographs and descriptive data concerning unsub involved in captioned matter along with a brief editorial which was written by [REDACTED]

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- 1 - WFO

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COOPER IS NOT 'ROBIN HOOD'

Despite some attempts to prove otherwise through opportunism and commercialism, the person who labels himself as "D. B. Cooper" is--if he is still alive--no modern-day Robin Hood. He is a thief and a criminal of the highest order. He demonstrated more than passing knowledge of the air environment, especially parachuting. It is possible that "D. B. Cooper's" path may have crossed that of airline personnel--and airline pilots--at some time under another name. He is reported to have a bitter hatred against the airlines--he may have worked for one.

For these reasons PILOT BULLETIN is printing the specifications of the criminal that extorted \$200,000 from Northwest Airlines on Nov. 24, 1971. Two artist drawings of "Cooper" are included in the hopes they may prod the memories of ALPA members who may have seen or known him in the past.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation describes the man as follows:

Race: White
Age: Mid-40s



Artists sketch of Cooper with and without glasses

Height: 5 feet 10 inches to 6 feet
Weight: 170 to 180 pounds
Build: Average to well built
Complexion: Olive, Latin appearance, medium smooth
Hair: Dark brown or black, normal style, parted on left, combed back, sideburns, low ear level
Eyes: Possibly brown; during latter part of flight put on dark wrap-around sunglasses with dark rims
Voice: Low, spoke intelligently, no particular accent

Characteristic: Heavy smoker of Raleigh filter-tip cigarettes

Wearing apparel: Black suit, white shirt, narrow black tie, black dress suit, black rain-type overcoat or dark topcoat, brown shoes; carried paper bag 4 inches by 12 inches by 14 inches and dark briefcase or attache case

If you have any information which might lead to the identity of this individual, please contact the nearest FBI office.

ALPA PRESSES FOR ACTION ON MID-AIR COLLISIONS

Pointing to a "needless slaughter" resulting from 70 mid-air collisions of U. S. airliners in the past 25 years, ALPA urged congressional action to make collision-avoidance equipment a mandatory requirement for all aircraft operating in government-controlled airspace.

In testimony before the Senate Subcommittee on Aviation on Dec. 1, the Association emphasized the increasing hazards of mid-air accidents. A study made by the Department of Transportation, ALPA said, projected that by 1980 there would be approximately 10 mid-air collisions occurring each year. In 1971, there were four such tragedies.

ALPA recommended two government actions that should be taken immediately to reduce or eliminate the mid-air collision hazard:

"The first of these requires an immediate decision on the part of the U. S. government that the use of an adequate collision avoidance system or proximity warning indicator should be made mandatory for every aircraft

operated within controlled airspace.

"The other action requires that the Federal Aviation Administration take a more realistic and sophisticated approach to inflight segregation of military and general aviation aircraft from airline and other high performance civil aircraft."

In addition to these recommendations, ALPA asked for a live evaluation of the several collision avoidance systems now available. Recognizing that installation of these systems would entail particular burdens for light plane owner, ALPA called for development of a plan to help them finance this hardware.

Although ALPA does not endorse any particular equipment now being offered as solutions to the collision problem, it supported the Senate bill under consideration (S. 2264), which would facilitate the installation of collision avoidance devices. "The establishment of definite compliance dates," ALPA said, "will also emphasize the urgency of the problem and take it out of the 'study' category."

FAA Continuing Taxiway - Exit

Identification Lighting Test At JFK And Newark

The September 1971 PILOT BULLETIN announced the beginning of testing of taxiway exit lighting on Newark runway 4L-22R. Now the test is ready to be implemented at JFK runway 31R-13L. The runway ends show red threshold lights at the far ends. Green flush centerline lights at runway and taxiway intersections are the main features of the test, along with green curved lead-out lights at the center taxiway exit.

The airlines have probably already issued information and procedures to pilots operating into these airports. FAA will provide additional information. ALPA requests that pilots cooperate in this evaluation. Please send a copy of your conclusions to the ALPA Engineering and Air Safety Department for information purposes.

ALLEGHENY - MOHAWK LABOR PROTECTIVE PROVISIONS RECOMMENDED

For the second time in less than a week a CAB hearing examiner supported a position long urged by ALPA and recommended sweeping changes in the labor protective conditions traditionally imposed in merger cases. (PILOT BULLETIN, November, page 1). In his recommended decision approving the Allegheny-Mohawk merger, Examiner Merritt Ruhlen rejected the position of the carriers that the so-called "standard" provisions first imposed in the United-Capital merger case over a decade ago should be imposed again without change. Addressing himself directly to the changes in the provisions recommended by ALPA, Ruhlen wrote: "It is necessary to consider the suggested changes on their merits rather than to rely on a decision of 10 years ago made in a different economic climate upon a different factual basis."

Ruhlen's recommended decision endorsed the following changes in the standard provisions urged by ALPA:

(1) A shifting of the burden of proof under the United-Capital formula so that a claiming employee would be required to do nothing more than show that a merger occurred and that his condition of employment changed adversely. Should the employer contend that the change was the result of some factor other than the merger, the burden would be on the employer to establish that contention through the production of evidence. (Under the United-Capital formula, an employee must carry the virtually impossible burden of showing that his change in employment was caused "solely" by the merger and no other cause.)

(2) A change in the compensation for a displaced employee to include average compensation during the base period plus "subsequent wage increases" for the duration of the protection period. (United-Capital excluded all such increases.)

(3) A change in the base period used for determining average compen-

sation to the one-year period "immediately prior to (the employee's) displacement" rather than one year prior to the merger as under the United-Capital provisions.

(4) An extension of the protective provisions' coverage to all employees whose job status may be changed by a carrier's rearranging of its work force in anticipation of a merger regardless of the date on which such a rearrangement actually takes place.

Examiner Ruhlen's decision is now subject to review and amendment by the full CAB as well as final approval by President Nixon before it may take effect. ALPA attorneys have filed briefs in both the Delta-Northeast and Allegheny-Mohawk merger cases urging that the specific differences of the alteration in labor protective provisions recommended by the two hearing examiners be rationalized in such a manner as to preserve the most substantial changes in the old and inadequate United-Capital formula.

BOSTON PILOTS BRIEFED ON BENEFITS

Pilot retirement and insurance benefits was the subject of a presentation by ALPA's Retirement and Insurance Department in early December. The purpose of the experimental program was to present directly to pilots an analysis of their benefits and options in both the retirement and insurance areas.

Eastern pilots' benefits were chosen for the analysis and the presentation was made at Boston's Logan Airport on Dec. 2-3 by ALPA Field Representative Rhoads Donovan and Insurance Analyst Stuart Hall.

The program was a formal presentation by both representatives with the help of visual aids that outlined the Eastern Pilots' Fixed (A) and Variable

(B) Retirement Benefit Plans and the Group Insurance Program. Pilots were encouraged to ask questions and forms were provided for more detailed problems that could be answered through the Retirement and Insurance Department at ALPA's Home Office in Washington.

The experimental presentation was basically successful. One problem area, however, was the lack of sufficient advance notice, which resulted in a small attendance. Both representatives felt that although attendance was minimal, the information program proved worthwhile and was well received by the pilots who were able to attend.

PILOTS SHOULD SPECIFY PAYMENTS

Inasmuch as the new dues and insurance system has billed both 1972 dues and insurance, when remitting your payment please allocate your remittance to dues and/or insurance in the space provided on the remittance stub. Should such an allocation be omitted, your remittance will be allocated by the computer.

RUNWAY AT GREATER WILMINGTON AIRPORT REOPENED

ALPA has been notified as of Nov. 15, the East West (9-27) Runway at the Greater Wilmington (Del.) Airport was reopened after complete strengthening over its 7,000-foot length to 250,000 pounds maximum gross weight tandem wheel loading.

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ALPA EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETS



The Executive Board of the Association resolved at its 14th meeting (Dec. 7-10) in Washington to register "total opposition" to FAA's proposal to impose responsibility for medical certification and surveillance of flight crew members upon the individual air carriers. The Board directed the Aero-medical-Flight Time/Duty Time Committee "to take any and all steps it feels are necessary to prevent the adoption" of the proposal and instructed the Association's President to "provide the necessary support and resources," and including "if necessary" reconvening the Executive Board for consideration "of other appropriate courses of action."

The Board, after lengthy discussion concerning the impact of the Aloha arbitration award on ALPA's crew complement policy, reaffirmed its "full and vigorous support of the crew complement policy and of all existing

agreements and awards establishing the same." The Board said that consistent with the Nov. 23 arbitration award (which it noted "applied and interpreted the Association's policy as being founded on safety as related to the operating conditions and environment of the carrier involved") and consistent with past practice, the Boeing 737 crew complement policy is interpreted to require "with the concurrence of the Executive Committee and the President" that the MEC on each airline involved assess that airline's conditions and environmental factors "and reach a determination as to the basis of implementation" of the crew complement policy. The Board ordered the President to "cause the Association to provide full support to such determinations" and to conclude agreements that give full effect to such determinations.

Finally, the Board said the President and the Executive Committee should study and evaluate "crew coordination and operating techniques on all airline jet aircraft."

Other actions taken by the Executive Board include the following:

- ▶ Supported the Airworthiness and Performance Committee in its concern over the use of reduced-thrust takeoff procedures.
- ▶ Referred a proposal that ALPA initiate an aggressive policy with FAA to establish positive control, climb and descent corridors, "a high-

WARNING - NO IMMUNITY!

Pilots are warned that, effective Dec. 31, 1971, they are no longer provided with immunity when Near Mid-air Collision Reports (FAA Form 8020-1) are filed.

President John J. O'Donnell attempted to persuade FAA to retain the immunity provision, but so far, without success. The ATC Committee will again seek to convince FAA that the near mid-air reporting program is useless without some protection being given to the pilot and controller, alike. As additional information becomes available, it will be reported in ALPA publications.

ly complicated subject," to the National ATC Committee, the national committee involved with this problem.

▶ Noted that "it is in the best interest of" ALPA "to present a unified position to the government and industry on those subject areas which affect the entire membership" and resolved "that before any pilot group or representing body of the Association takes action on subjects under the purview of an ALPA national committee and not covered by ALPA policy, the proposed action be brought to the attention of the responsible national committees for their review and analysis to ensure a coordinated position."

▶ Directed the President "to actively pursue" ALPA policy, adopted in 1962, "to work to bring international flight duty time limits into line with domestic FAR limits."

▶ Directed the Association to institute a procedure of withholding dues from flight pay loss checks.

▶ Noted that the use of "Air Line Pilots" in the name of any organization, other than ALPA "is confusing and misleading to the membership, the public, the government and the industry and might be harmful to the public image of the Association," and resolved "that all members so involved refrain from any activities which generate the impression that they or their organization, association or firm acts in behalf of or under the jurisdiction

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LATE NEWS ROUND-UP

● Revised ALPA merger policy has been adopted by the Executive Board (see page 2).

● The Department of Transportation is investigating the manner in which a Delta 880 was contaminated by radioactive leakage. DOT is attempting to determine whether the cause was from faulty packaging or from handling damage.

● CAB examiner is against AAL-WAL merger plan (see page 4).

● PATCO says FAA has fired four more controllers for their actions during a "sickout" in March 1970, bring-

ing the number of dismissed controllers to 80. Thirty-eight of the 80 have won their jobs back through appeals procedures and the courts.

● ALPA opposes DOT action in AAL-WAL merger case (see page 5).

● "Cooper" is no Robin Hood (see page 7).

● NTSB and FAA officials say that a National Airlines 747, which ran afoul of turbulence, did so as the crew picked its way through thunderstorm cells using airborne radar.

● Pilots should specify payments (see page 8).



ALPA EXECUTIVE BOARD IN ACTION

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of the Board of Directors, Executive Board, Executive Committee or under the authority of any committee of the Association," and requested the President "to inform all persons, members or otherwise, that such action is not in the best interests of the Association and to take appropriate steps to prevent such use."

► Directed the Association's national officers to invite key members of Congress to address regular meetings of the Association's Executive Board and Board of Directors.

► Interpreted Article IX, Section 4A (1) of the By-Laws to provide that a 10% dues discount will be applicable only to prepaid annual dues amount if the prepayment is less than the total dues owed for the year.

► Conferred a Commendation Award of appreciation for exceptional performance as a pilot member of the Associ-



ation upon Captain E. M. Long, Flying Tiger Council 98, who on Dec. 3, 1971, completed a solo 28-day around-the-world flight covering 36,000 miles in 215 flying hours in his twin-engine Piper Navajo, setting eight world records including first flight around the world landing on all seven continents, first solo flight around the world at the poles, and first flight crossing the Equator at both the prime and 180th meridians.

► Noted that the finance charge on loss of license semiannual premium payments has caused concern and misunderstanding and instructed the Retirement & Insurance Committee to explain to ALPA membership, through the PILOT BULLETIN, the necessity for the finance charge.

► Adopted the 1972 budget, with conditions, including Executive Committee review and restrictions on re-

ducing individual MEC budgets.

► Deferred action until the next regular Executive Board meeting on proposed guidelines for printing and mailing charges for council minutes, bulletins and news publications, pending a review of costs.

► Resolved that the Association "strongly opposes" the American Airlines-Western Air Lines merger and ordered action "to make known its position on this pending merger before the appropriate government bodies."

► Directed the National Air Safety Coordinating Committee and the Airworthiness and Performance Committee in coordination with the Engineering and Air Safety Department to conduct a comprehensive study of the most effective means for pilot monitoring of potential hazards to aircraft in service to be presented for consideration of the 15th Executive Board meeting, and delayed implementation of a resolution of the 13th Executive Board regarding monitoring of airworthiness directives, service bulletins, etc.

► Changed administrative procedures to extend the grace period for payment of Association obligations to 60 days for purposes of determining bad-standing status, and noted that this change does not amend current practices covering finance charges for delayed payments.

Revised Merger Policy Adopted By Executive Board

One of the more important actions at the Executive Board at its December 1971 meeting was the adoption of the new Merger Policy.

The major change in the new policy is the elimination of the "Method 1/Method 2" membership balloting processing and insertion of a step procedure for utilization of merger representatives as a guide to the solution of their seniority list integration problems.

The new merger policy is not applicable to any merger already pend-

ing or announced unless the respective pilot groups mutually agree to use it.

The new policy also provides safeguards to delay action on merger of seniority lists until there is "reasonable assurance" that the merger will be approved and the government award is acceptable to the involved companies.

Nominees Sought For Air Safety Award

The ALPA Engineering and Air Safety Department is calling for nominations for the 1972 Annual Air Safety Award, which will be presented at the ALPA Air Safety Forum, May 22-25, at the Mayflower Hotel in Washington.

Procedures established for the selection of the recipient of the Award state that each local council may submit to the MEC chairman a candidate or candidates for the award and each MEC chairman may submit to the Association the name of its candidate or candidates. Final selection is then made

by the Executive Committee.

Each council should submit its nominations to the MEC chairman as early as possible because MEC chairmen are requested to forward the nominations to ALPA Secretary John Giberson no later than March 10.

New Loss Of License Classification Established

The Executive Board, at its December meeting, established a Group Member Class under the Loss of License contract issued by Equitable Life Assurance Society. It is specifically designed to accommodate any pilot groups on whose behalf ALPA has negotiated Loss of License contracts. This classification allows the Group Member to have an additional amount of Loss of License benefit separate and apart from his coverage under the ALPA program, if any, to a combined maximum benefit of \$2,000 regardless of income and up to \$2,500 overall maximum if justified by income.

ALPA Blasts Administration Proposals To Increase Government Intervention In Labor Disputes

Nixon administration proposals to limit the right of airline employees to take walkout actions in deadlocked labor disputes "would constitute nothing less than a revolution in American labor relations," ALPA charged at a hearing before the Senate Subcommittee on Labor.

Under proposed revisions to the Railway Labor Act, the President would have authority to broaden the scope of government intervention in labor negotiations, thus averting possible walkouts that could tie up air service.

In a statement by the Association, it was pointed out that since 1933 there have been over 500 collective bargaining agreements reached with airline pilot groups represented by ALPA. Throughout this 38-year period, there have been only 14 pilot strikes and only five of these lasted over 30 days.

The public interest, ALPA added, is more seriously jeopardized by the airlines' Mutual Aid Pact—a "strike insurance" program under which funds from subscribing carriers are given to a struck airline. ALPA charged that a recent trend to strikes of longer duration is the direct result of the availability of Mutual Aid funds. "The carriers have only themselves to blame," ALPA said.

A key provision in the proposal would offer one of three new options to the President as a "final solution" to labor disputes. Each involves increasing levels of government intervention following an 80-day "cooling off"

period now required when parties cannot reach agreement on contracts.

The most severe measure would be mandatory reopening of bargaining on "final offers" submitted by both sides. If agreement still cannot be reached, the President would name a three-man board, called "selectors," who would choose one of the offers, without modification, as the final settlement.

Disputing the proposal, ALPA said: "In a free society, employees and employers retain the power to settle their own economic disputes...rather than transfer this power to third-party 'experts.' Instead, solutions to labor disputes must be discovered by and acceptable to the parties who must live with them. Anything else is too remote and illusory to last."

ALPA stressed that federal labor legislation has "traditionally been aimed at establishing the mechanics and procedures of collective bargaining—not at determining the substance of the bargains themselves. Management's responsibility to bargain should not be assumed by Congress."

The Association said it saw merit in a feature of the administration proposal that would establish a commission to make a two-year study of labor relations in industries "particularly vulnerable to national emergency disputes."

It was suggested that the study include such topics as: The value of permanent "neutrals," causes of delay in grievance handling, the effectiveness of "tripartite" arbitration, statistics on prearbitration settlements and needed reforms in present grievance-arbitration procedures.

We're Making Progress

The federal sky marshal program was in the news on several fronts this month as it became known that funds for the effort will probably be cut by about one-third in the next federal budget. A United Press International story noted that since the program started in September 1970, the government has trained 1,500 marshals "but they have yet to thwart an inflight hijacking."

CBS News asked the question, "The sky marshal program: has it been successful?" on the CBS Evening News with Walter Cronkite on Jan. 4. Among

participants in the report, which presented viewpoints of various segments of the airline industry, were ALPA Executive Administrator Jack Bavis and Captain Cliff Wolff (UAL). Highlights of the TV report included the lack of security at airport terminals and the need for international agreements to cover the return and prosecution of hijackers.

In both the UPI story and the TV report, ALPA stressed that the majority of sky marshals could serve more effectively at airport gates rather than aboard aircraft.

from the PRESIDENT'S OFFICE

Committees

Participated in Executive Committee Meeting. Participated in Executive Board Meeting Dec. 7-10. Met with 1972 Air Safety Forum Policy Guidelines Committee.

Legislative

Appeared before Senator Howard Cannon's (D-Nev.) Subcommittee on Aviation concerning Senator Moss's bill on collision avoidance systems. Represented by Legal Department Director Gary Green before Senator Harrison Williams (D-N.J.) concerning the Railway Labor Act where a statement representing ALPA's views was read. Other senators sitting of the time were: Robert Packwood (R-Ore.), Robert Taft (R-Ohio), Harold Hughes (D-Iowa), and Adlai Stevenson (D-Ill.). The next session of Congress opens Jan. 18 and ALPA is preparing for an active year.

Other

Worked on 1972 budget. Responded to FAA's rejection of ALPA's Proposal for Accelerated Installation of Airport Facilities. Involved with problems associated with Hughes Aircraft strike of American Mechanics Fraternal Association members. Attended UAL Council 11 annual retirement party together with First VP Al Bonner and Executive Administrator Jack Bavis. Appeared as featured guest of United Press International's Washington Window, heard on 400 U. S. radio stations, which focused on such topics as the need for improved airport security and ALPA's expedited airport facilities program. Inspected ALPA's new Home Office building with First VP Bonner. Attended Wright Day Dinner honoring Senator Howard W. Cannon together with First VP Bonner, Executive Administrator Bavis, Region Four VP Marion Wright, UAL Master Chairman William Argensult and SCS Division Secretary-Treasurer Maggie Jacobsen. Appeared on City Desk on WMAQ-TV Chicago with Captain Dick Schultz (UAL) and discussed airport safety and security. A portion of the show was later used on the NBC-TV network.

CAB EXAMINER AGAINST AAL-WAL MERGER PLAN

CAB Hearing Examiner William Madden recommended on Dec. 20 that the proposed merger between Western and American be denied. If approved, he said, the merged pattern of service would "seriously disrupt" the nation's air transportation system, particularly on West Coast and Pacific routes. Further, he predicted that the creation of a supercarrier would totally "upset the balance" between larger and smaller trunkline service.

In his 80-page decision, Madden stressed that the merger of a big four airline and another trunk carrier is not in the public interest.

He also noted the availability of

improved labor-protective provisions as recommended in the Delta-Northeast and Allegheny-Mohawk cases, should the Board decide to approve the American-Western merger.

Madden's initial decision will be reviewed along with other recommendations before a final decision on the case is reached by CAB. Final approval must be given by President Nixon since the proposed merger involves international routes.

Madden's decision was hailed by ALPA as "a clear recognition of the need to preserve the nation's competitive system of commercial air service."

In a statement Dec. 21, ALPA

stressed that the merger, if approved, would lead to the creation of multi-billion-dollar "supercarrier," diverting revenues from other airlines and weakening their market position.

"Inevitably," ALPA said, "this would lead to a series of defensive mergers, thus further deteriorating levels of competition and service."

The Association's Executive Board, recently took action "cohesively opposing" the American-Western merger.

The U. S. Justice Department and CAB's Bureau of Operating Rights have also recommended that the merger be rejected.

NOMINATIONS OPEN

The following councils are conducting nominations (Election Group One) for the term of office beginning July 1:

ALI 114	EAL 18	PRN 125
ALI 143	EAL 142	SOU 20
ALA 68	MOH 90	TCA 63
ALA 118	MOH 139	TWA 2
AAA 32	NEA 116	TXI 85
AWI 136	NCA 126	UAL 11
BNF 42	ONA 23	UAL 33
CPT 141	OZA 106	UAL 34
CAL 15	PAA 10	UAL 150
CAL 153	PAA 70	UNI 66
CBA 81	PAI 40	UNI 144
DAL 48	PAI 120	WAL 21
DAL 131		WCA 35

Nominating ballots are to be returned to the council chairman no later than the time and date of council meetings advertised for the purpose of nominating local council representatives. Any member of the above councils who does not receive a ballot should contact David E. Halpin, director, Council and Administrative Services, in the Home Office, or his council chairman.

HAZARDOUS MATERIAL PROBLEM INFORMATION SOUGHT

Any pilot having experienced hazardous material cargo transportation problems should get in touch with ALPA Executive Administrator Jack Bayis at the Home Office.

ELECTION BALLOTS TO BE COUNTED JAN. 21 AT HOME OFFICE

The Election and Ballot Certification Board will meet at the Home Office on Jan. 21 to check, open and tally the following elections. Any active member in good standing is entitled to be present to observe the ballot count. Chairman and vice chairman elections: AWI 111, AAA 32, DAL 131, SEA 132, PAI 121 and PAA 61. Captain representative election: AAA 138. Copilot representative elections: TWA 25, UNI 119 (and flight officer representative). Secretary-treasurer elections: TWA 24 and PAI 122.

COUNCIL ELECTIONS TO FILL VACANCIES SCHEDULED THIS MONTH

Elections to fill vacancies are being conducted by the following councils. Any active member who did not receive a ballot, has lost his ballot or wishes to change his vote should contact David E. Halpin, director of Council and Administrative Services at the Home Office. Elections and their deadline dates are: Flying Tiger Council 97: chairman and vice chairman, Jan. 27. Piedmont Council 121: chairman and vice chairman, Jan. 28. TWA Council 4: copilot representative, Jan. 31. Capitol International Council 141: captain representative, Jan. 31.

TENTATIVE AGENDA SET FOR 72 AIR SAFETY FORUM

"What Price Air Safety?" will be the theme of the 1972 ALPA Air Safety Forum to be held May 23-25 at the Mayflower Hotel in Washington. Captain Richard Heller, Region Three safety chairman, has been named general chairman of the 19th annual Pilot Division meeting. The 10th S&S Division Forum will convene one day earlier for closed sessions.

Tentative agenda for the Pilot Forum calls for closed sessions on Tuesday afternoon (May 23), with meetings of the five regional safety committees scheduled for that evening.

Open sessions begin on Wednesday morning (May 24) with a welcome by the ALPA President. The Wednesday morning program will discuss today's big safety problem--hijacking. A Wednesday afternoon session will consider disaster planning, and be followed by a discussion of two-segment approaches and noise-abatement procedures.

Thursday morning (May 25) sessions will be concerned with airport safety; specifically the status of airport certification program, and a discussion of ALPA's program to accelerate the installation of needed air-carrier airport facilities. The Forum will break up into workshop action groups on Thursday afternoon with the following tentative subjects: (1) air traffic control and collision avoidance systems; (2) airworthiness and performance, and (3) accident prevention.

ALPA OPPOSES DOT ACTION IN AAL-WAL MERGER CASE

Voicing strong opposition to action taken by the Department of Transportation in the American-Western merger case, ALPA President John J. O'Donnell issued the following statement this month:

"The Air Line Pilots Association is very much alarmed about the intersection of the Department of Transportation into the issue of the American Airlines-Western Air Lines proposed merger. Mr. J. Thomas Tidd, speaking for DOT, has sharply opposed the opinion of CAB Examiner William Madden that the merger should be disapproved. Mr. Madden's opinion that

the merger should not be consummated has been concurred in by the Justice Department.

"This development is an excellent example of blatant interference in a matter in which an appointed official--the secretary of transportation--has no personal expertise and proves, beyond any doubt, that he is biased against air transportation. The proposed merger is not within his domain. CAB was deliberately established by a wise Congress to regulate the industry independently of the Department of Transportation and enable it to remain aloof from political measures.

"As president of the Air Line Pilots Association, I wish to state that the Association is firmly opposed to this merger because it would seriously disrupt the delicate balance in the national air transportation system, have a severe impact on the employees involved and would not be in the best interests of the traveling public.

"The CAB examiner should be upheld in this matter. The secretary of transportation should not throw the weight of his office around and attempt to intimidate the board members who must now rule on the question."



NATIONAL AIRLINES PILOT GROUP SIGNS NEW CONTRACT

A new National Airlines pilot contract was signed at the company office in Miami. Taking part in the ceremony were (seated from left): Captain R. W. Pech, master chairman; J. M. Donlan, NAL vice president-industrial relations; (standing) Jack Horner, ALPA staff negotiator; John B. Adams, NAL labor relations analyst; S. J. Kolski, NAL labor relations manager; R. G. Houck, assistant to vice president-flight operations; Captain E. B. Shope, chairman, Negotiating Committee; Captain Loyd E. Kalt, member, Negotiating Committee; Captain C. P. Caudle, MEC vice chairman and Captain R. W. Gaines, member, Negotiating Committee.

NEW AIRLIFT INTERNATIONAL PILOT AGREEMENT REACHED

A new Airlift International pilot agreement was recently reached at the Home Office. Participating in the negotiations (sitting from left) Captain Ralph Chrismon, chairman, Negotiating Committee; President John J. O'Donnell; Warren Lane, National Mediation Board; Charles Hughes, Airlift International vice president-administration; (standing) Flight Engineer Gasper Nisito, member, Negotiating Committee; Captain Harry Davis, member, Negotiating Committee; Captain Tom Jacobs, master chairman; Captain John Shumate, Airlift chief pilot and director of flight operations, and ALPA First Vice President Al Bonner.



ALPA'S Position On Two-Step Approaches

ALPA national committee members have been studying the ramifications of two-segment approaches for several months. Such approaches, involving steep upper glideslopes, which involve rates of descent of nearly 2,000 feet per minute, have been proposed to provide a certain measure of noise relief to communities near airports. Some ALPA members have flown such approaches during controlled experiments and under flight test, laboratory conditions, but despite a strong effort to develop such techniques on the part of the government, the consensus of ALPA participants is that such procedures will not prove feasible for the day-in, day-out airline operating environment. In a Sept. 13 letter to FAA Administrator John H. Shaffer, ALPA President John J. O'Donnell stated: "It is especially ironic since early in the jet transport history many of these same proposals were rejected by the aviation community on the basis of the very safety reasons which are now being ignored." Captain C. C. Jackson, executive secretary of International Federation of Air Line Pilots Associations, wrote to Shaffer on Oct. 13, in the name of member associations: "We feel bound to declare the strongest opposition to this procedure. In doing so in an unambiguous manner we hope to be able to head off an expensive but almost certainly illusory program."

An ad hoc NASA working panel, charged with recommending opera-

tional flight procedures to achieve noise relief, meeting on Sept. 23, noted an objective of 10 PNdB noise reduction 1.5 miles from the runway threshold, to be achieved by the two-segment approach method (an upper segment of 6 degrees transitioning to a lower, normal segment of 400 feet above the terrain). The near-term strategy mapped out by this group includes a proposed demonstration program to "sell small groups of line pilots at each airline" on the feasibility of the method, using a current jet transport. The group decided a Boeing 727 would be the "proper" aircraft to be used in the demonstration.

In another action, FAA implemented a two-segment VASI on a trial basis at San Diego. Several ALPA members participated in the initial evaluation of this device. Even though they were flying a DC-6—not a jet transport—one of them commented later: "The FAA's own policy has been opposed to steep approaches, and we have all seen what inadequate runway length can mean to accident statistics, yet suddenly we are faced with a scheme that aggravates both of these conditions."

While such a device may be useful as an aid in terrain avoidance at an airport with particular problems, such as San Diego, responsible groups in ALPA find it disturbing that similar VASIs may be installed elsewhere to put airplanes on steep, high-sink-

rate approach paths, strictly for noise relief. The ALPA position, stated by President O'Donnell in his letter to FAA's Shaffer, is that "the solution to the aircraft noise problem must be attained primarily through engineering and design of the engine-airframe combination and not through marginally safe operating procedures."

More recently, one of the airlines evaluated this two-segment VASI with a large jet transport. As a result, the airline sent the following message to all of its pilots: "A VAMSI (Visual Approach Multi-Slope Indicator) has been installed on runway 27 at San Diego to be operated at pilot request. This system has been evaluated by flight management and pilot representatives in a DC-8-62 aircraft. The installation has been deficient and United pilots are cautioned against requesting or using this system. The transition from steep to the normal glideslope occurs too near the ground and the touchdown point is extended well beyond the displaced threshold."

The overall problem of two-segment approaches is being reviewed by four ALPA committees: Airport Evaluation, Airworthiness & Performance, All Weather Flying and ATC. A joint meeting of these committees is planned for early 1972 to consider all aspects of the problem and coordinate ALPA's position as related to the function of each committee.

AIRPORT MANAGERS RECOGNIZE VALIDITY OF AIR LINE PILOT COMMENTS

The following are excerpts from a recent speech by the President of the American Association of Airport Executives, George Bean, in which he gives some thought-provoking remarks to airport managers:

"Lest I be misunderstood, let me emphasize that if all airport managers had always done a perfect job there would not have been a need for 'outsiders' to 'interfere'."

"If we had exerted more effort and had been adequately forceful and convincing in our communities, there could have been more effective control of land use around airports and noise and air pollution complaints would not be as numerous or troublesome as they are..."

"If we had paid more attention to pilot complaints about lighting defi-

ciencies, runway surface defects, better drainage, and off-airport obstructions these pilots would not have felt compelled to demand Airport Certification."

"Many of these pilot-reported deficiencies could have been taken care of quickly and inexpensively if we had given them the attention they deserved..."

"At this time I would like to propose that each of you return to your airport and find just one hazard - or potential hazard - and get it corrected immediately. The results of such a collective action would automatically mean a significant improvement in airport safety..."

It looks like ALPA is getting its message across!

OLD UNIFORMS WANTED

The Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum is looking for old pilot and copilot uniforms and insignia to expand its collection of civil aviation uniforms. Especially needed are uniforms from the '20s and '30s and those of airlines that have gone out of business such as Hanford Airlines, Colonial Airlines, Southwest Airways, Monarch Airlines, American Export Airlines, Mid-Continent Airlines, West Coast Airlines, Penn Central Airlines, Chicago and Southern Airlines. Some current uniforms are also needed.

Donors are asked to send appropriate shirts, ties, belts and footwear, if available, with the uniforms. An early photo of the owner in the uniform would be helpful. Please query before mailing. Address letters to Aeronautics Department, National Air and Space Museum, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C. 20560.

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SAC, Memphis (164-78) (RUC)

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All parachute clubs and associate groups have been contacted in the Memphis Division and as to date no positive information has been received. In addition, all appropriate law enforcement agencies, CI's and PCI's have been contacted in reference to captioned matter and no positive information has been received to date.

In view of the fact that there are no outstanding leads in the Memphis Division, this matter is being considered RUC.

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TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)
FROM: SAC, JACKSONVILLE (164-109) (P)
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Re Bureau airtel to Albany, 12-7-71 and
Seattle airtel to all field offices, 12-7-71.

AT JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA:

On 1-18-72, [redacted] of Dolphin Sport Parachute Club, Jacksonville, Florida, advised SA [redacted] club is the only organized parachute jumping club in Jacksonville, Florida, and all participants are members of U.S. Parachute Association (U.S.P.A.), Monterey, California. [redacted] unable to furnish any suspects re captioned matter. He states that he is personally acquainted with all individuals in North Florida who skydive.

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On 1-19-72, [redacted] Florida Highway Patrol, home address, [redacted] Florida, identified himself to SA [redacted] as the [redacted] the United States Parachute Association and a member of the Dolphin Sport Parachute Group, Jacksonville, Florida. [redacted] advised all licensed parachute jumpers in the U.S. are members of the U.S. Parachute Association (USPA), P.O. Box number 109, Monterey, California. He pointed out that the USPA is the only licensing body for parachute jumpers and has membership of 15 to 20,000 members who renew their licenses annually. In addition, the USPA maintains Area Safety Officers throughout the U.S. who monitor all jumping activities in coordination

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with the FAA. Identities of all members and [] are on record with USPA at Monterey, California. In addition, USPA publishes "The Parachutist," a monthly news magazine for all members which would be an excellent medium through which the sketch of unknown subject could be disseminated nationwide. He further pointed out that if a reward was being offered by any agency, this would be a real incentive for developing leads in captioned matter.

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[] is personally acquainted with 2,000 parachute jumpers and claims that very few of them are in their 40's, this being a rather advanced age for parachute jumping. He further pointed out national and also the world parachute jumping contests are held annually at Tahlequah, Oklahoma, being scheduled for June and July this year and that personnel engaged in parachute jumping there should be contacted.

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[] could suggest no logical suspects in Jacksonville area and will disseminate sketches of UNSUB to the Dolphis Sport Jumping Club.

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SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

AT MONTEREY, CALIFORNIA

1. If not already done, San Francisco will contact [], USPA, P.O. Box 109, Monterey, California, for the purpose of determining if his agency would publish article re captioned matter in "The Parachutist."

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2. Will review membership records of the USPA for any individuals named DAN COOPER and thereafter set out appropriate leads to determine if they were involved in captioned case.

3. Will obtain from the USPA a complete listing of all USPA [] and thereafter set out appropriate leads to have these individuals contacted in this matter.

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SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

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In connection with preparations for the test drop, efforts were made to contact EARL COSSEY at Sunset 3-0475. COSSEY was out, but [redacted] [redacted] Seattle, [redacted] of EARL COSSEY, advised that he was presently working toward [redacted]

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[redacted] He advised that one of the back packs was a 26 footer and the other a 28 footer, but both were rigged so they would have the same rate of descent.

He advised that the 26 foot chute, although it is smaller, also has a different design which would explain why the two chutes could have an almost identical rate of descent. According to a chart referred to by [redacted], the chutes would have the following rate of descent:

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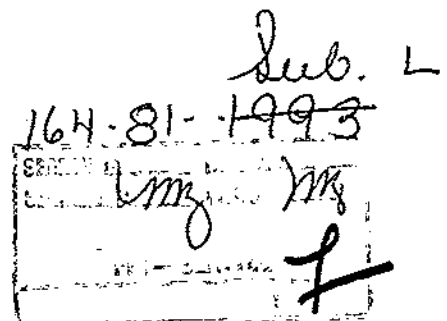
A 28 foot with a person between 180 and 200 lbs., would drop about 17 to 18 feet per second.

He advised that the chutes would normally deploy in 3 or 4 seconds. They both were like military chutes in that they did not have sleeves.

[redacted] advised that he works [redacted]
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SA CHARLES R. ST. JOHN

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OO: SEATTLE

RE: AIRPORTS, FLYING CLUBS, FLIGHT SCHOOLS,
PARACHUTE AND SKYDIVING CLUBS

Enclosed is a summary insert re captioned matter.

Bureau authority has been requested to publish an artist's conception and composite description of subject in "Pilot Bulletin", monthly publication of the Airline Pilots Association.

Although available, it is not believed feasible at this point to obtain a complete list of all members of the U. S. Parachute Association, variously estimated between 10,000 to 40,000 members depending on activity.

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AIRPORTS, FLYING CLUBS, FLIGHT SCHOOLS,
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On the possibility that subject might have rented an airplane and flown over the area of Southwest Washington or might have chartered a plane for the same purpose, the following investigation was conducted in the State of Washington but failed to identify the subject:

An artist's conception and composite description of subject was exhibited to owners and operators of each flying school, each airfield and airport, each company renting or chartering aircraft, and each skydiving school and club.

Similar inquiry has been conducted at the Portland International Airport and at airports at Aurora and Donald, Oregon in Marion County, Oregon, and ~~has been~~ conducted throughout the remaining portion of the State of Oregon. *HAS BEEN*

All skydiving clubs, parachute clubs and affiliated or related organizations have been ~~and/or are being~~ contacted nationally and subject's composite description and artist's conception ~~is being~~ displayed among the various memberships in an effort to identify subject.

HAS BEEN A list of all affiliated clubs of the U. S. Parachute Association for the entire United States as well as an index of the members of the affiliated clubs for the states of California, Washington, Oregon, Nevada, Idaho and Arizona have been obtained. This will insure control over this facet of the investigation.

An international skydiving meet was held December 4, 1971 at Abbotsford, B.C., Canada.

Parachutists from the Western United States and Canada participated. Wide distribution of the artist's conception and composite description of subject was made among the participants without effecting any positive identification.

WAS The artist's conception of subject and the following article ~~will be~~ published in the January, 1972 issue of "Parachutists", the monthly bulletin of the U. S. Parachute

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Association, with headquarters at Monterey, California, and the membership is estimated at between 10,000 and 40,000 members depending on activity.

"Enclosed is an artist's conception of the hijacker who extorted two hundred thousand dollars from Northwest Airlines on November 24, 1971. This man is described as follows:

"Race-white; sex-male; age mid-forties; height-five feet ten inches to six feet; weight-170 to 180 pounds; build-average to well built; complexion olive, latin appearance, medium smooth; hair-dark brown or black; normal style, parted on left, combed back; sideburns, low ear level; eyes-possibly brown. During latter part of flight put on dark, wrap around sunglasses with dark rims. Voice low, spoke intelligently, no particular accent, possibly from Midwest section of the United States. Characteristic-heavy smoker of Raleigh filter tip cigarettes. Wearing: apparel-black suit; white shirt, narrow black tie; black dress suit; black rain-type overcoat or dark top coat; dark briefcase or attache case; carried paper bag four inches by twelve inches by fourteen inches; brown shoes.

"If you have any information which might lead to the identity of this individual, please contact the nearest FBI Office."

The same article ~~will~~^{ED} also appear in the January, 1972 issue of "Skydivers", monthly publication subscribed to by many parachute enthusiasts, *as well as in*

~~Efforts are being made to include the same article~~ in "Pilot Bulletin", official monthly publication of the Airline Pilots Association, Washington, D.C.

A major jump center on the West Coast has been identified as the Elsinore Paricenter, Inc., Elsinore, California. Each person making a first jump at this location, regardless of prior experience, must fill out a registration form bearing identifying information.

On December 3, 1971, Special Agents EDWARD A. ROMANOFF and reviewed approximately 12,000 registration

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cards of parachutists who have jumped from the Elsinore Paricenter, Inc. 433 registration cards were photographed representing those jumpers who registered at the Elsinore Paricenter, Inc., since 1969 and fit within the physical description limits of 35-55 years of age, 150-190 pounds, and five feet eight inches to six feet one inch in height.

A systematic review of these cards ^{WAS} ~~is~~ being conducted to possibly identify subject, ~~WITH NRG RESULTS~~

Registration cards prior to 1969 do not contain height data. Such cards, numbering approximately 18,000, date back to 1957.

On December 10, 1971, flight records for the month of August, 1971 were photographed at the Elsinore Paricenter, Inc. These records contained the last names of the jumpers, the altitude from which they jumped, and the name of the pilot and date.

A review of these flight records December 14-15, 1971 revealed the last names on these records match 31 individuals whose descriptions match those of subject and who jumped from the Elsinore Paricenter during the month of August, 1971. Sixteen of the individuals whose cards were photographed were eliminated as possible suspects by interviews. The remaining 15 possible suspects are ^{being} ~~are~~ being systematically reviewed in an effort to identify the subject. ~~5 WERE ELIMINATED~~

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On November 27, 1971 [redacted], a man who is familiar with parachute clubs and jumpers in the southwestern part of Washington and northern part of Oregon, advised that a person jumping from a plane at about 7000 feet who had experience could free fall and while doing so could count to 25 seconds which would then place him at 3000 feet and for this reason no altimeter would be needed. He pointed out that if the subject could have seen the ground there would be no problem in landing if he had experience as a jumper. He further pointed out that his experience as a jumper shows him that the subject would not have needed jump boots, a helmet, jump suit, or any other special equipment for he and other chutists jump in shorts, tennis shoes, and other non-jumping equipment when weather conditions are right. He also pointed out that the subject could land within one mile of a pin point spot picked if he had experience and knew when to jump. Further, he stated the subject would have travelled 1/2 to 3/4 of a mile from the drop line from the plane in a 30 mile per hour wind if he opened his chute at 3000 feet. [redacted] also advised that he could also state that if the subject had experience he would know that the easiest place to put a container with the money would be between his legs and this would not cause any problems on landing or during descent. [redacted] suggested one person whom he thought could be capable of the hijacking and that would be [redacted], who is a good and experienced parachutist and pilot.

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[redacted] advised that the parachute clubs in the area he is familiar with are the Pacific Parachute Club which uses Donald airfield 30 miles south of Portland, Oregon, and the Western Sport Parachute Center which uses both the Frink field and the Hockinson field near Vancouver, Washington; he pointed out that Puckett airfield is no longer used as a jump center.

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On November 28, 1971 [redacted], Vancouver Piper Aviation, 209 East Reserve Street, Vancouver, Washington, was contacted and advised that he and a group of experienced pilots had been discussing the hijacking and he advanced the theory that in view of the cloud cover on the night of November 24, 1971 only an experienced jumper knowing

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NORJAK
RE: FLYING SCHOOLS,
AIRPORTS AND SKYDIVING
CLUB.

As of January 7, 1972, all flying schools and airfields which might have been used to rent an aircraft have been identified and contacted. No skydiving schools or clubs were identified in the Bremerton Resident Agency.

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SA [REDACTED]

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NORJAK

Re Seattle memo by SA CHARLES E. FARRELL, 11/26/71.

During the month of December, 1971, the following flying schools, airports, and skydiving clubs were contacted regarding captioned matter but none could provide any positive information:

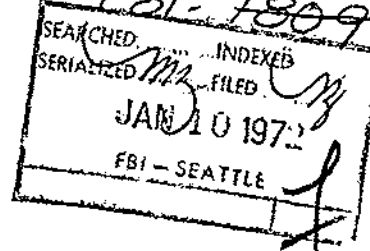
[REDACTED] Pasco, Washington;
[REDACTED] Pasco, Washington;
[REDACTED] Pasco, Washington;
[REDACTED] Kennewick,
Washington;
[REDACTED] Richland;
Washington;
[REDACTED] Richland, Washington;
[REDACTED] Walla Walla,
Washington;
[REDACTED] Walla
Walla, Washington;
[REDACTED] Walla Walla, Washington;
[REDACTED] Connell, Washington.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE 164-81

DATE: 1-4-72

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NORJAK

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Re Flying Schools, Airports and Sky Diving Clubs

Re SE memo of SA CHARLES E. PARKER, 11-26-71.

On 12-28 and 12-29/ 71 the following Flying schools were contacted in regards to investigation conducted in re memo with negative results.

1. [REDACTED]
Yakima, Washington

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2. [REDACTED]
Yakima, Washington

3.) [REDACTED]
Yakima, Washington

These are the [REDACTED]

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There are no skydiving schools in the Yakima area.



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AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497)

FROM: SAC, BUFFALO (164-46)

NORJAK
(OO: Seattle)

Re Los Angeles airtel to New York dated 12/22/71 setting forth leads to locate and interview certain individuals whose identities were obtained through records of the Elsinore Paricenter, Inc., Parachute Jumping Center, which included [redacted], New York.

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Enclosed for Los Angeles are three 8" X 10" glossy photographs depicting [redacted].

The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted] on 12/28/71:

A check of the current [redacted], New York Directory listed [redacted] as residing at [redacted] New York. His occupation was listed as [redacted] New York.

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Inquiry at the [redacted] New York, determined that [redacted] is completely shutdown during the week between Christmas and New Years and that all personnel employees are off as well as all production employees; therefore, no work records are available for review.

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② - Seattle (Info) (RM)

2 - Buffalo

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[] stated he is registered with the U. S. Parachuting Association with registration number [] but he does not have a license issued by that association. He produced his parachute jumping log book which indicated he made jumps at the Elsinore Parachute Jumping Center on []. His log book further indicated that he has made a total of 55 jumps, the last jump being made on [] New York. [] said he has never made a night jump. He further stated that he has never entered into conversation with anyone while at Elsinore, California or anywhere else, regarding the procedure for jumping out of a jet aircraft. [] advised he is a []. He gave date of birth as [] height as 5'9½", weight as 200 lbs., and has blue eyes, brown (light) hair, and long pork-chop style sideburns that are graying slightly. He advised that at the time while in Elsinore, he may have been ten lbs. or so lighter than he is now.

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[] furnished three photographs, approximately 8 X 10 inches in size depicting himself. He requested these photographs be returned to him after they have served their purpose.

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LEADS

Buffalo indices negative re []

LOS ANGELES

AT GARDINA, CALIFORNIA

(1) Will exhibit enclosed photographs to [] and determine from [] is in fact the man he ~~stated~~ to during the month of August, 1971 at Elsinore Paricenter, Elsinore, California.

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(2) Return photographs to Buffalo upon completion.

SAC, ALEXANDRIA

12/30/71

SAC, RICHMOND (164-74) -P-

NORJAK
(OO: SEATTLE)

In an effort to locate and identify sky diving clubs in the Richmond, Virginia territory, contact was made with Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), GADO, Byrd Field, Sandston, Virginia, and although FAA does not license these clubs, they did maintain a list of clubs in their territory, which was compiled in 1967.

The list furnished by FAA does not cover the Virginia counties of Rockingham, Greene, Madison, Culpeper and Stafford and all counties of Virginia north of these. These counties are covered by the FAA, FSDO, Washington National Airport, Washington, D. C.

Furthermore, the FAA list did not cover Virginia counties Giles, Pulaski and Carroll or the Virginia counties west of these. The counties in this area are covered by the FAA, GADO, Kanawha County Airport, Administration Building, Charleston, West Virginia.

The following sky diver clubs as furnished by FAA are located in the Norfolk territory:

1. Norfolk Sky Divers - to be contacted through
[redacted] Newport News, Virginia..

2. Peninsula Sky divers - to be contacted through
[redacted] Yorktown, Virginia.

3. Tidewater Navy Sky Divers - to be contacted through the U. S. Naval Amphibious Base, Little Creek, Virginia. This club meets at NAS, Oceana, Virginia.

2 - Alexandria

③ - Norfolk

2 - Pittsburgh

2 - Richmond

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② - Seattle (164-81)

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66332PM NITEL 12-29-71 AGL

TO SEATTLE 164-81

PORTLAND

SAN FRANCISCO

FROM MINNEAPOLIS 164-73 2P

NORJAK. 00: SEATTLE

RE BUREAU AIRTEL TO SAC, ALBANY DECEMBER SEVEN LAST.

[REDACTED],
MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA, ADVISED HE IS OF OPINION THERE ARE
PROBABLY NO MORE THAN TWO HUNDRED PARACHUTISTS IN THE UNITED
STATES WHO WOULD HAVE THE SKILL TO HAVE SUCCESSFULLY JUMPED
FROM THE SEVEN TWO SEVEN.

[REDACTED], WHO HOLDS A CLASS D LICENSE, SUGGESTED CONTACT WITH
U.S. PARACHUTE ASSOCIATION, MONTEREY, CALIFORNIA. THIS
ASSOCIATION COULD FURNISH IDENTITY AND PHOTOGRAPHS AND OTHER
DESCRIPTIVE DATA OF HOLDERS OF CLASS D LICENSES. HE FURTHER
POINTED OUT MOST PARACHUTISTS ARE ALSO PILOTS AND COULD HAVE
KNOWLEDGE OF FLIGHT PROCEDURES AS WAS EVIDENCED BY THIS PARTI-
CULAR HIGHJACKER.

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3:05PM NITEL 12/29/71 VAB

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

WFO (164-169)

FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

NORJAK.

RE: WFO TEL DECEMBER TWENTYEIGHT, LAST.

RE: AIRLINE PILOTS ASSOCIATION, WASHINGTON, D.C. (ALPA).

REFERENCED TELETYPE SETS-FORTH THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ALPA, INDICATED WILLINGNESS TO PUBLISH INFORMATION CONCERNING CAPTIONED MATTER IN MONTHLY PUBLISHED "PILOT BULLETIN".

BUREAU AUTHORITY IS REQUESTED TO HAVE THE FOLLOWING NOTICE PUBLISHED IN JANUARY ISSUE OF PILOT BULLETIN:

ENCLOSED IS AN ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF THE HIJACKER WHO EXTORTED TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS FROM NORTHWEST AIRLINES ON NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST. THIS MAN IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

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IF APPROVED, A GLOSSY PICTURE OF UNSUB WITH AND WITHOUT GLASSES SHOULD BE FORWARDED BY THE BUREAU TO WFO TO ACCOMPANY THE ARTICLE.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU, THE ABOVE WORDING IS THE SAME AS WAS APPROVED FOR PUBLICATION IN THE "PARACHUTIST'S MAGAZINE" AND "SKYDIVER".

SEATTLE INDICES CONTAIN NO DEROGATORY INFORMATION CONCERNING ALPA. WFO ADVISE RESULTS OF INDICES CHECK REGARDING ALPA AND ANY REASON FOR NOT ACCEPTING OFFER.

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12/23/71

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AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)
SUBJECT: NORJAK

Review of the file reflects Portland Division has conducted appropriate inquiry concerning captioned matter at Portland International Airport and at airports at Aurora and Donald, Oregon, in Marion County.

On the possibility that subject might have rented a plane and flown over the area of Southwest Washington or might have chartered a plane for the same purpose, the following investigation should be instituted throughout the remaining portion of the State of Oregon:

(1) Identify and contact each flying school for anyone fitting subject's description as having rented a plane during the pertinent period.

(2) Identify and contact all air fields which might have rented such an aircraft to anyone meeting subject's description.

(3) Identify and contact each skydiving school or club and determine if anyone meeting subject's description is known to them.

2-Portland
2-Seattle

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NR009 WF PLAIN

432PM URGENT 12-28-71 SKA

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM WASHINGTON FIELD (164-169)

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MORJAK

REFERENCE SEATTLE NITEL TO WFO, DATED DECEMBER TWENTY SEVEN SEVENTYONE.

RE AIR LINE PILOTS ASSOCIATION (ALPA), WASHINGTON, D.C.:

TODAY, [REDACTED] ALPA, ONE THREE TWO NINE E STREET, N.W., WDC, ADVISED THAT HIS ORGANIZATION PUBLISHES MONTHLY "PILOT BULLETIN" FOR ALPA MEMBERS ONLY AND THAT SAME HAS DISTRIBUTION OF THIRTY THOUSAND.

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[REDACTED] WAS EXTREMELY COOPERATIVE AND STATED HE WOULD GLADLY INCLUDE UNSUB'S COMPOSITE PHOTOGRAPH ALONG WITH DESCRIPTION OF UNSUB AND BACKGROUND OF CAPTIONED HIJACKING IN JANUARY "PILOT BULLETIN", DUE FOR RELEASE LATTER PART OF NEXT WEEK. IN ORDER TO BE INCLUDED, INFORMATION AND

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SA [REDACTED]

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NORJAK .

Re Portland teletype to Seattle, 12/1/71.

Repeated efforts to contact [REDACTED],
[REDACTED], Vancouver, Washington,
were negative until December 13, 1971.

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[REDACTED] advised he has been [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] which is sponsored by the Antique Air-
plane Club in Vancouver, Washington, as an annual event.
He stated that he has been [REDACTED] since
1962 and that no one has ever jumped from a 727 jet
during the shows. He added that about three years ago
a 747 jet flew over Vancouver during the air show at
5000 feet as an exhibition of the new airplane's size
and capabilities.

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[REDACTED]
DEC 16 1971
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/2/71

FROM : SA JOHN A. DRAKE

SUBJECT: UNSUB;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLT. #305
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING: EXTORTION
OO:SE

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Rememo by SA [redacted] 11/26/71, serial 138.

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The following individuals were contacted, indicating that they were the only outlets that furnish rental aircraft in the Chelan, Douglas, Grant and Okanogan Counties. They indicated that they have never rented aircraft to anyone resembling the unsub nor did he resemble anyone they knew as doing any sky diving:

[redacted] at Ephrata and Moses Lake
Airports; [redacted]
Wenatchee; [redacted] Pangborn Field,
Wenatchee; [redacted] Pangborn Field, Wen-
atchee; [redacted] Pangborn Field, Wen-
atchee and [redacted] Anderson Field,
Brewster and at the Omak, Washington airport.

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Date: 12/22/71

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(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)

TO: SAC, NEW YORK

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) P

RE: NORJAK
HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SE

Re: ELSINORE PARICENTER, INC. LA 164-497 SUB A

On 11/30/71, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] California, telephonically advised that the artist's conception of the subject who hijacked the Northeast Airlines aircraft on 11/24/71 closely resembled an unknown individual who on three or four occasions parachuted from the jump center at Elsinore, California.

[REDACTED] made himself available for interview on 12/1/71 and furnished the following information as set forth on an FD-302:

Aimed and Dangerous

- 2 - Buffalo
- 2 - New York
- ② - San Francisco
- ② - Seattle (Info.)
- 4 - Los Angeles

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Approved: WGG Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

GPO : 1970 O - 402-735

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[redacted]
[redacted] California, was interviewed at the Skylark Airport at Elsinore, California, and furnished the following information:

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Upon hearing the newscasts and reading the papers concerning the skyjacking of a commercial aircraft in Seattle, Washington, on November 24, 1971, and upon seeing an artists conception of the individual who perpetrated this crime.

[redacted] advised he believes he talked to a man who closely resembles the subject during July or August 1971. Based upon his conversation with this individual he strongly suspects the man may be the person connected with this crime.

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[redacted] recalled that he talked to this man for approximately ten to fifteen minutes concerning different aspects of parachute jumping and during this conversation the man asked several unusual questions, such as how would one go about jumping out of jets. [redacted] specifically recalls telling the man it could be done if the door of the aircraft opened inward or if it had a rear stairwell that could be raised and lowered. The man appeared interested and they discussed this further, to the point where air speed and drag was talked about. The fact was brought up that full flaps and lowered landing gear would supply the drag needed to exit from a jet.

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The man also asked [redacted] where jump centers were located in the northwest. [redacted] told him about three locations in the State of Washington, one by the Boeing Air Field in Seattle, one on the Washington side of the Columbia River, just north of Portland, Oregon, and the other center inbetween. The man was apparently interested, but did not right down the names or locations of those centers mentioned by [redacted].

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[redacted] stated it was his opinion that a person contemplating a skyjacking of a commercial aircraft would ask questions such as those purposed. He recalled at the time these questions were asked he thought it was strange as nobody else has ever purposed such questions to him.

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Interviewed on 12/1/71 at Elsinore, California File # Los Angeles 164-497

DB Cooper-29836

by SA EDWARD A. ROMANOFF/clp

Date dictated 12/2/71

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[redacted]
[redacted] California, furnished the following information:

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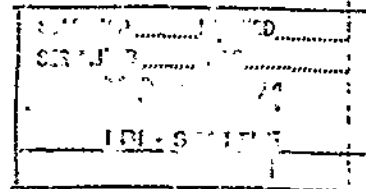
Concerning the individual he talked to sometime during July or August 1971, who [redacted] believes could be identical to the subject that hijacked the Northwest Airlines aircraft on November 24, 1971, he recalled that the man he talked to must have been a smoker of Raleigh Cigarettes because he observed Raleigh coupons in the man's possession and remarked to him that he smoked those cigarettes with the coupons and could save enough to buy a "P. C.", meaning Para-Commander type parachute, the kind used by parachute enthusiasts and most sport jumpers.

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[redacted] advised he recalled this while studying the Government memorandum containing the description of the man who hijacked the aircraft on November 24, 1971. He further advised that he doubted that the man he talked to belonged to any parachute or jumping clubs inasmuch as the average age of jumpers is between 25 to 28 years and they would not hang around with an "old guy like that", and too because most clubs in California have disbanded in the last year and a half.

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Concerning clubs and their locations, [redacted] advised that they could be identified through the U. S. Parachute Association which prints a brochure with the clubs in alphabetical order by states.

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Interviewed on 12/3/71 at Elsinore, California File # Los Angeles 164-497

by SA's EDWARD A. ROMANOFF and
[redacted] EAR/jah

Date dictated 12/6/71

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 12/14/71

[redacted]
[redacted] California, furnished the following information:

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Concerning an individual who talked to him at Skylark Field at Elsinor, California who resembles the artist's conception of the hijacker of the Northwest aircraft in Seattle on November 24, 1971, [redacted] stated he has reviewed his thoughts and is certain he can narrow the time span to the middle or late part of August 1971 when this conversation occurred. He still believes it was strange that a person would ask questions about jumping out of jet aircraft and discuss air speed then have something like the hijacking that occurred happen a short time later. He also stated that it may be coincidental but he saw an advertisement on pages 46 and 47 of Look magazine dated August 24, 1971 showing a parachutist jumping out of a jet aircraft. He stated this may have stimulated questions by someone seeing this advertisement, however, he is still concerned since the individual he spoke to resembles the artist's conception of the hijacker. He does not know the name of the man he talked to and has not seen him since. He did state he believes he would recognize the man if he sees him again.

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On 12/9/71 at [redacted] California File # LA 164-497

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by SA EDWARD A. ROMANOFF/ear Date dictated 12/14/71

ADULT REGISTRATION FORM

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Occupation

Date of Birth

Present Address

City

State

Zip Code

High School

1. Attending

2. Did Not Complete

3. Graduated

College, Please give name of:

1. Attending

2. Attended

3. Graduated

Other

How did you learn of

Center Only One Please

1. "A Sport Is Born" Movie

2. Magazine Article

3. Sports Show Which

4. Yellow Pages Ad

5. World Championship 1962

6. Friend (Name)

7. Word of Mouth

8. Lecture

Other

HOW DID YOU TRAVEL TO CENTER?

1. Plane 2. Car 3. Bus 4. Other

MEDICAL STATEMENT FOR UNDERGOING PARACHUTE TRAINING AND JUMPING

I hereby certify that I am not at the time under treatment for any physical infirmity or chronic ailment, or injury of any nature, and that I have normal vision or have corrective lenses, and that I have never been treated for any of the following:

1. Cardiac or pulmonary condition or disease

2. High or low blood pressure

3. Fainting spells or convulsions

4. History of hearing

5. Nervous disorder

6. Diabetes

7. Kidney or related diseases

Date 5/1/61

END TURN FORM OVER - READ AND COMPLETE OTHER SIDE

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PARACHUTING CENTER

ADULT REGISTRATION FORM

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Signature

Date 5/1/61

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IMPORTANT - AFTER READING, SIGNING AND DATING THIS SIDE - TURN FORM OVER - READ AND COMPLETE OTHER SIDE

For the information of Seattle, on 12/16/71 [] pointed out that on the flight records from Elsinore all the altitudes of jumps made were from 2,500 to 12,500 feet. He explained that sport jumpers and parachute enthusiasts all jump from altitudes in multiples of 1,000 starting from 2,500, 3,500, 4,500 etc., with the exception of 2,800 which is the competitive height for target jumping. He stated that the 10,000 foot level is reminiscent of Air Force training. He referred to Air Force pamphlet number AFP 160-10-3 entitled "Your Body in Flight" which places 10,000 feet as the maximum altitude considered safe without oxygen. [] surmised that a man with Air Force experience may be the type of person that should be considered a suspect.

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On the other hand, he pointed out that parachutists have different classes of licenses, A, B, C and D class licenses. To hold a D license a jumper must make two night jumps as well as other qualifications. A person with a D license is an experienced jumper.

LEADS:

NEW YORK

AT EAST ROCKAWAY

Conduct investigation to locate and interview [], telephone [] so he can be eliminated as a suspect in this case. If he appears similar in appearance to the artist's conception in this case, determine his whereabouts between 2:00 - 11:00 pm, 11/24/71 and obtain a photograph so it can be displayed to [] at Los Angeles to determine if it could be the individual who talked to him during August 1971.

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BUFFALO

AT TONAWANDA, NEW YORK

Conduct same investigation as set out for New York to locate [] telephone []

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LEADS CONTINUED

SAN FRANCISCO

AT LOS GATOS, CALIFORNIA

Conduct same investigation as set out for the
New York office to locate [REDACTED]
telephone [REDACTED]

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LOS ANGELES

AT SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA

See New York lead and conduct investigation to
locate:

1. [REDACTED] telephone

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2. [REDACTED]
telephone [REDACTED]

AT LAGUNA BEACH

Contact [REDACTED]
telephone [REDACTED]

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LOS ANGELES case agent will handle the remaining
leads in the metropolitan Los Angeles area.

Armed and Dangerous

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Date: 12/21/71

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) *Sub D*

FROM: SAC, PHOENIX (164-100) (P) *L*

MB 1. DRJAK

ReBuairtel to AL, 12/7/71.

On 12/20/71, FLOYD WASHBURN, Manager, U.S. Parachute Service, 6976 E. Baseline, Mesa, Arizona, was contacted regarding captioned matter. WASHBURN stated he was familiar with this matter and believed the subject would have had to have been a sporting parachutist and parachute rigger in order to accomplish his feat.

WASHBURN indicated a listing of licensed parachutists is maintained by the U.S. Parachute Association in Monterey, California. The U.S. Parachute Association has supposedly instituted a policy approximately two years ago wherein they have on file photographs of all licensed parachutists. Inquiries made to the U.S. Parachute Association should be directed to [redacted] California.

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Although it is noted approximately 40 percent of the nation's parachutists are licensed, this could conceivably be a worthwhile lead for office of origin in this matter.

Phoenix will attempt to conduct appropriate investigation to ascertain the location of the list for licensed parachute riggers.

UNSUB CONSIDERED DANGEROUS.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA
[redacted]:

AT SPOKANE, WASHINGTON, AND VICINITY:

On dates indicated the following persons representing flying agencies and flying schools were contacted, and advised they had rented no light planes on November 24, 1971, and none had suspects in this matter. All were advised of the MO used, the description of the unknown subject, and all were left a copy of the composite artist's sketch of the unknown subject.

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[redacted] Spokane, Wash.
12/6/71;

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[redacted] - Price-Piper, Inc., East 5829
Rutter, Spokane, Wash.
12/6/71;

[redacted]
[redacted] Spokane, Wash.
12/6/71;

[redacted] - Western Aircraft Corporation,
South Field, Spokane, Wash.
12/6/71;

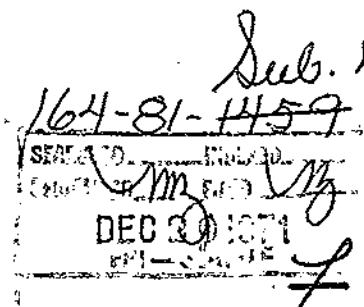
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[redacted] - Executives Aircraft, Spokane
International Airport, Spokane,
Wash. - 12/6/71;

[redacted] - Inland Parachute Loft, East 11327
31st Avenue, Spokane, Wash.
12/8/71;

[redacted] - Spokane Sky Roamers Flying Club,
Phelps Field, Spokane, Wash. &
Deer Park, Wash., Airport
12/14/71;

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Date: 12-17-71

Transmit the following in PLAINTEXT
(Type in plaintext or code)Via TELETYPE NITEL
(Priority)

TO: MEMPHIS

FROM: JACKSON (164-32)

NORJAK

FOR INFORMATION MEMPHIS, [REDACTED]

MISS., ADVISED THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHICH FORMERLY OPERATED ON [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IN DESOTO COUNTY, MISS., HAS NOW MOVED ITS LOCATION
TO COVINGTON, TENNESSEE.

[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT [REDACTED] WHO RESIDES ON

[REDACTED] IN MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, WOULD HAVE A COMPLETE
ROSTER AND BE FAMILIAR WITH ALL THE MEMBERS OF THIS CLUB.

[REDACTED] STATED THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IN MEMPHIS.

[REDACTED] FURTHER IDENTIFIED [REDACTED] FROM COVINGTON,
TENN., AS [REDACTED] WHO WOULD ALSO
BE FAMILIAR WITH ALL ITS MEMBERS.1 - JACKSON
① - SEATTLE (AM) (164-81)
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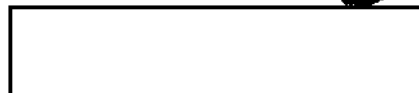
11:26 PM NITEL 12/17/71 FCO

TO: DIRECTOR (164-2111)

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) 1P

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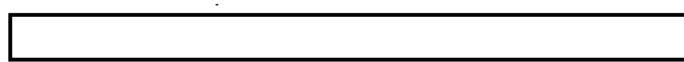


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NORJAK; 00: SEATTLE.

REFERENCE SAN FRANCISCO NITEL DECEMBER FOURTEEN AND SEATTLE AIRTEL

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PARACHUTE ASSOCIATION, MONTEREY, CALIFORNIA, ON DECEMBER

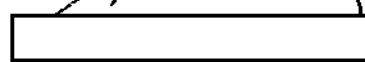
SIXTEEN LAST ADVISED ARTICLE RE SUBJECT WITH AN ARTIST

CONCEPTION WOULD MOST PROBABLY APPEAR IN UNITED STATES

PARACHUTE ASSOCIATION'S PUBLICATION "PARACHUTIST" WHICH WILL BE ISSUED

MIDDLE OF JANUARY, NEXT.

RE SUSPECT



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RE ST. LOUIS NITEL DECEMBER TWO SEVENTYONE.

NO RECORD FOR [REDACTED] LOCATED FORT BAKER, SAUSALITO,
CALIFORNIA, OR AT SIXTH ARMY HEADQUARTERS, SAN FRANCISCO. ALSO
NO RECORD LOCATED FOR HIM AT POST LOCATER OR THROUGH INQUIRY
AT COMPANY A THIRD BATTALION THIRD BRIGADE FORT ORD, CALIFORNIA.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/17/71

FROM : SA DONALD J. STEELE

SUBJECT: NORJAK

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Pub. Inspection - Z

On December 8, 1971, [REDACTED] Division 6 at the Bureau phoned at 2:27 PM and pointed out that the Seattle Division should resolve whether the subject in this case was wearing a black or brown dress suit. He also stated that when the subject is found the Seattle Division should make sure that extreme caution be used in preserving any physical evidence. He advised the Bureau at that time was authorizing the publication of two articles in parachute magazine publications.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC 164-81

DATE: 12/17/71

FROM : SA

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SUBJECT: Unsub; NWA flt. 305, 11/24/71
CAA-Hijacking

Attached are the following items obtained from
 Boeing Co.:

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(11A) (112)
List of skydivers from from publication dated Feb. 1, 63.
 said Boeing has had no skydiving clubs since that
time)

Print-out, Boeing Seattle Soaring Club.

Print-out, Seattle Boeing Flying Club.

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*No immediate action required
No prime suspects included
File for future ref*

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Re memo of SA CHARLES E. FARRELL, 11/26/71.

Contact has been made with flying schools, air fields and sky-diving clubs in the Everett RA territory without developing any positive pertinent information.

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920 PM NITEL 12/14/71 DAB

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM LOS ANGELES (164-497) 3P

NORJAK.

RE SEATTLE TELETYPE TO BUREAU AND LOS ANGELES, DECEMBER
EIGHT LAST, AND LOS ANGELES TELCALL TO BUREAU, DECEMBER EIGHT
LAST.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

TO PRINT ARTIST'S CONCEPTION

AND NARRATIVE CONCERNING UNSUB. FOR INFORMATION OF BUREAU,

[REDACTED]

CASE CAPTIONED

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ST. JOHN. [initials]

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2:30 PM URGENT 12/14/71 MCC

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

DALLAS (164-191)

SACRAMENTO (164-50) 1P

FROM SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) 1P

MORJAK

RE SACRAMENTO TELETYPE DATED TWELVE THIRTEEN LAST AND DALLAS NITEL DATED TWELVE THIRTEEN LAST.

FOR INFORMATION OF DALLAS AND SACRAMENTO, DAILY CONTACT HAS BEEN MAINTAINED WITH THE U.S. PARACHUTE ASSOCIATION, (USPA), AND ARRANGEMENTS

HAVE BEEN MADE TO HAVE COMPOSITE PHOTOGRAPH OF UNSUB AS WELL AS A DESCRIPTIVE ARTICLE OF THE CRIME PUBLISHED IN THE PUBLICATION "THE PARACHUTIST". THERE ARE SIXTEEN THOUSAND MEMBERS OF USPA. A LIST OF ALL AFFILIATED CLUBS OF THE USPA FOR THE ENTIRE UNITED STATES HAS BEEN FURNISHED THE BUREAU AND SEATTLE. SEATTLE HAS ALSO BEEN FURNISHED

AN INDEX OF THE MEMBERS OF THE AFFILIATED CLUBS FOR THE STATES OF CALIFORNIA, WASHINGTON, OREGON, NEVADA, IDAHO AND ARIZONA.

DALLAS COVER LEAD MENTIONED IN REFERENCED DALLAS NITEL AS TO PARACHUTE SKY DIVER AND AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS. WITH REFERENCE TO SACRAMENTO'S REQUEST TO OBTAIN A COMPLETE MEMBERSHIP LIST OF USPA MEMBERS, IT IS NOT BELIEVED THAT THIS IS FEASIBLE AND SHOULD BE LEFT TO THE DISCRETION OF THE OFFICE OF ORIGIN.

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MILED DATED 12-13-71 SENT 2:00AM 12-14-71 TPR
TO SEATTLE (164-81)
LOS ANGELES
SAN FRANCISCO
FROM DALLAS (164-191)

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[REDACTED] OF THE DALLAS PARACHUTE
ASSOCIATION, ADVISED TODAY EIGHTY PER CENT OF THE PARACHUTISTS
AND SKYDIVERS BELONG TO THE U. S. PARACHUTE ASSOCIATION (USPA)
BOX ONE ZERO NINE, MONTERREY, CALIFORNIA AND RECEIVE A MONTHLY
PUBLICATION CALLED THE "PARACHUTIST".

IN ADDITION [REDACTED] OF THE USPA,
PUBLISHES THE "SKYDIVER" MAGAZINE, ADDRESS P.O. BOX FORTY-FOUR,
BUENA PARK, CALIFORNIA.

LOS ANGELES AND SAN FRANCISCO SHOULD CONTACT ABOVE TWO
ORGANIZATIONS IN THEIR RESPECTIVE TERRITORIES. DETERMINE IF
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1015 Second Avenue
Seattle, Washington 98104

December 13, 1971

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[Redacted]
Bonneville Power Administration
Vancouver, Washington

Dear [Redacted]:

I wanted to drop you a note and tell you how much we appreciate your assistance in arranging for the use of a helicopter owned by the Bonneville Power Administration in connection with the search for the individual who hijacked Northwest Airlines Flight 305.

I recognize that the Bonneville Power Administration is being reimbursed by the FBI for the expenses incurred, but nonetheless I want you to know that we are most appreciative of your thoughtfulness in making the use of the machine available to us.

Sincerely yours,

J. E. Milnes
J. E. MILNES
Special Agent in Charge

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12:03PM URGENT 12-13-71 LXL

TO SEATTLE (164-81

SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)

FROM SACRAMENTO (164-50) 1P

NORJAK. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SACRAMENTO TELS, DEC. SEVEN AND TEN, LAST.

THIS DATE, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] RECORDS FOR ALL USPA CLUBS THROUGHOUT U.S. LOCATED THAT
OFFICE ALONG WITH INFO RE PARACHUTE DROP ZONES AND MISCELLANEOUS DATA
RE PARACHUTE CLUBS NOT AFFILIATED WITH USPA.

SAN FRANCISCO AT [REDACTED], OBTAIN ALL AVAILABLE INFO [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] RE USPA CLUBS IN SACRAMENTO DIV. ALSO OBTAIN COMPLETE MEMBERSHI

LIST OF USPA MEMBERS AND DISSEMINATE TO OFFICE CONCERNED.

AERIAL SEARCH BY BUAGENS OF NORTHWEST FLIGHT NO THREE ZERO
FIVE FLIGHT ROUTE BEING CONDUCTED TODAY.

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10:57 PM NITEL 12-10-71 WFY

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

SAN FRANCISCO

FROM BOSTON (164-153)

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INVESTIGATION AT STRONG ENTERPRISES, INC., QUINCY,
MASS., PARACHUTE EQUIPMENT SUPPLIERS, THIS DATE DETERMINE
FROM [REDACTED] THAT MAJOR ORGANIZATION OF
SPORTING PARACHUTERS IS THE UNITED STATES PARACHUTERS
ASSOCIATION (USPA) POST OFFICE BOX ONE ZERO NINE, MONTEREY,
CALIFORNIA. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED THERE ARE APPROXIMATELY THIRTY THOUSDN
SPORTING PARACHUTERS IN THE UNITED STATES, OF WHOM FIFTEEN
THOUSAND ARE MEMBERS OF USPA. THE USPA CIRCULATES A NATIONAL
NEWS LETTER AND ITS MEMBERSHIP CARDS, WHICH INDICATE
VARYING DEGREES OF PROFICIENCY, BEAR DESCRIPTIVE INFORMATION
AND A PHOTOGRAPH OF THE BEARER. NOT BELIEVED THAT A PHOTO-
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TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 12-9-71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NORJAK

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On December 6, 1971, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] was contacted by SA [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] at which time SA [REDACTED] exhibited to
[REDACTED] composite photographs and a description of the
UNSUB. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that the photographs and
description do not fit anyone with whom he has had
contact in the past. [REDACTED] was unable to furnish
any information regarding the possible identity of the
UNSUB.

When queried regarding the availability of

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[REDACTED] stated that it
would not have been possible for UNSUB to have [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)(P)

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT; aka
Dan Cooper
Northwest Airlines
Flight 305
Portland to Seattle
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: Seattle

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Re Seattle teletype to Bureau and San Francisco, 12/7/71; Seattle teletype to Bureau and Los Angeles, 12/8/71, and Bureau telephone call to Seattle, 12/8/71.

Enclosed for the Los Angeles and San Francisco Divisions are two copies each of Bureau approved write-up to accompany the artist's conception of the unknown subject's photograph with glasses and without glasses, to be published in "The Parachute," and "Skydiver" magazines.

Glossy photographs being furnished by the Bureau.

San Francisco, note change in color of suit and wearing apparel from that set forth in Seattle teletype to Bureau and San Francisco, dated December 7, 1971.

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- 2 - Los Angeles (Enc. 2)(164-497)
- 2 - San Francisco (Enc. 2)(164-220)
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Enclosed is an artist's conception of the hijacker who extorted \$200,000 from Northwest Airlines on November 24, 1971. This man is described as follows:

Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Age:	Mid 40s
Height:	5' 10" to 6'
Weight:	170 to 180 pounds
Build:	Average to well built
Complexion:	Olive, Latin appearance, medium smooth
Hair:	Dark brown or black, normal style, parted on left, combed back; sideburns, low ear level
Eyes:	Possibly brown. During latter part of flight put on dark, wrap-around sunglasses with dark rims
Voice:	Low, spoke intelligently; no particular accent, possibly from Midwest section of U.S.
Characteristic:	Heavy smoker of Raleigh filter tip cigarettes
Wearing Apparel:	Black suit; white shirt; narrow black tie; black dress suit; black rain-type overcoat or dark top coat; dark briefcase or attache case; carried paper bag 4"x12"x14"; brown shoes.

If you have any information which might lead to the identity of this individual, please contact the nearest FBI Office which would be found in the front of your telephone directory.

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11:00AM URGENT 12/8/71 VAB

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

LOS ANGELES (164-497)

FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT NUMBER THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE, CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SEATTLE TELETYPE TO BUREAU AND SAN FRANCISCO, DECEMBER SEVEN, SEVENTYONE.

[REDACTED] "SKYDIVER" MAGAZINE, ONE FIVE TWO ZERO SIX RAYMOND, GARDENA, CALIFORNIA, HAS OFFERED TO PRINT ARTIST'S CONCEPTION AND NARRATIVE CONCERNING UNSUB. JANURAY ISSUE GOES TO PRESS DECEMBER TWELVE, SEVENTYONE, AND MUST BE IN POSSESSION OF [REDACTED] BY THAT DATE.

BUREAU AUTHORITY REQUESTED TO PUBLISH ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF UNSUB'S PHOTO AND DESCRIPTION AS SET FORTH IN REFERENCED TELETYPE IN "SKYDIVER" MAGAZINE.

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IF AUTHORITY GRANTED, BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO FURNISH GLOSSY PHOTOGRAPH OF ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF UNSUB WITH GLASSES AND WITHOUT GLASSES TO LOS ANGELES DIVISION TO MEET PRESS DEADLINE OF DECEMBER TWELVE, SEVENTYONE. SEATTLE DIVISION WILL PROVIDE LOS ANGELES WRITE-UP AS APPROVED.

SEATTLE INDICES CONTAIN NO DEROGATORY INFORMATION RE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]
LOS ANGELES DIVISION IMMEDIATELY ADVISE BUREAU WHETHER ANY DEROGATORY INFORMATION KNOWN RE [REDACTED], WHICH WOULD EMBARRAS BUREAU IF OFFER ACCEPTED. -P-

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LPS FBI LOS ANGELES CLR

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

12/8/71

ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SE

[redacted] called from the Bureau. He had the following to say:

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1. The Director approved publicity of the article and artist's conception in the parachute magazine in response to our teletype 12/7/71.

2. He referred to a teletype of 12/ /71 from Portland in regard to a person who was [redacted]. He said it seemed to him that Portland had set out a lot of unnecessary investigation since the purpose of the thing was simply to get a photo of the suspect and have it shown to witnesses rather than getting all the background.

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3. He wanted to know if we had considered having a Northwest plane fly Agents over the exact course at night so that we could look down and see just what the situation was when the "bump" occurred at 8:10 or 8:12 PM. I told him we had considered this and also had considered hiring someone to parachute from the plane but the problem was that there was no way of duplicating the conditions which existed at the time. He requested we put some type of language in a teletype about this.

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12/8/71

SA ELGIN E. OLROGG

UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT # 305
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: Seattle

Re memo of SA CHARLES E. FARRELL, 11/26/71.

FLYING SCHOOLS, AIRPORTS AND
SKY DIVING CLUBS

On November 30, 1971, contact was made at the following airports, flying fields and sky diving clubs in the Pierce County area and no information was developed to identify the unknown subject:

Gross Aviation, South Tacoma Air Park;
Oswald Flying Service, Fircrest;
Tahoma Flying Service, Inc., Spanaway Airport;
Thun Field, Puyallup;
Puyallup Industrial Airport - Thun Field;
Tacoma Industrial Airport;
Puyallup Sky Divers Club - Thun Field.

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8:50 PM URGENT 12-8-71 PLB

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)

FROM DIRECTOR 1P

NORJAK.

RE SEATTLE TELETYPE TO BUREAU AND SAN FRANCISCO
DECEMBER SEVEN LAST, AND BUTEL CALL TODAY.

BUREAU AUTHORITY IS GRANTED TO HAVE ARTICLE AND ARTIST'S
CONCEPTIONS AS DESCRIBED IN REFERENCED TELETYPE PUBLISHED IN THE
JANUARY ISSUE OF THE PARACHUTIST MAGAZINE. GLOSSY PHOTOGRAPHS
OF ARTIST'S CONCEPTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT GLASSES BEING PREPARED
AT THE BUREAU AND WILL BE PROMPTLY FORWARDED.

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10/29/71

SA [REDACTED]

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UNSUB; NORTHWEST
AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE

On November 29, 1971, the following persons were contacted and shown an artist's conception of the UNKNOWN SUBJECT responsible for captioned hijacking:

[REDACTED] Lake Union Air Service, 1100
Westlake North, Seattle, Washington.

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[REDACTED] Kurtzer Marine and Airplane
Service Co., 950 Westlake North, Seattle, Washington.

[REDACTED] Kenmore Air Harbor, 6321 NE
175th, Kenmore, Washington.

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[REDACTED] Kenmore Air Harbor, 6321 NE
175th, Kenmore, Washington.

None of the above named individuals could identify the artist's conception as anyone they knew or had come in contact with during the course of their business.

Because air operations at Sand Point NAS have been discontinued, no investigation was conducted there.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/30/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE

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The following individuals connected with the following agencies were contacted and shown composite photograph of suspected hijacker on November 29, 1971:

[REDACTED]
Aero-Dyne Flight Center,
300 Airport Way,
Renton, Washington

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[REDACTED]
Fanchur Flyway Inc.
Renton Municipal Airport
Renton, Washington

[REDACTED]
Alpine Helicopter Inc.
17325 Cedar Grove Road SE
Maple Valley, Washington

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[REDACTED]
Renton Aviation
Renton Municipal Airport
Renton, Washington

[REDACTED]
Ed's Airmotive Inc.
302 Airport Way South
Renton, Washington

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On November 29, 1971, attempts to contact Manager of Hitch School of Aviation, East Perimeter Road, Renton, Washington, proved negative as a sign on the door advised that the company had gone out of business.

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Seattle (164-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : SA Edward J. Anderson

SUBJECT: UNSUB; Northwest Airlines Flight # 305,
Portland to Seattle, 11/24/71
CAA - Hijacking; Extortion
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On 11/29/71, SAs Edward J. Anderson and [redacted] interviewed the following individuals at [redacted], while displaying the artist's conception of the unsub in this matter:

- [redacted] - Seattle Flight Service
- [redacted] - Boeing Employees Flying Ass.
- [redacted] - Bayair Avionics
- [redacted] - Boeing Field
- [redacted] - Olympic Helicopters, Inc.
- [redacted] - Skycraft, Inc.
- [redacted] - Pleasure Fund Flying Club
- [redacted] - Aerosport
- [redacted] - Aero-Copters, Inc.
- [redacted] - Bell Air Service, Inc.
- [redacted] - Northwest Air-Motive
- [redacted] - Northwest School of Aviation, Inc.
- [redacted] - Washington Aircraft
- [redacted] - Radair
- [redacted] - Galvim Flying Service, Inc.
- [redacted] - Pacific Aviation Inc.
- [redacted] - Queen City Aviation, Inc.
- [redacted] - Airline Ground School

No positive identification of the unsub could be provided by any of the above listed people. The Academy of Flying and Seattle Air Charter, both closed this day, must be contacted later. If negative information is obtained, no further letter will be initiated.

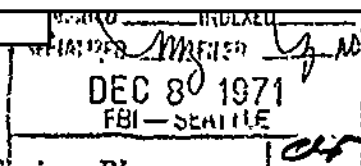
[redacted] stated that the following individuals bear a close resemblance to the unsub:

[redacted] strong resemblance was verified by another employee of Dusen. is said to be [redacted]



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Date: 12/6/71

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TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, DETROIT (164-115) (P)

RE: UNSUB, aka.,
Dan Cooper
Northwest Airlines
Flight Number 305
Portland to Seattle
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
(OO: SEATTLE)

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Re Seattle teletype to Bureau dated 11/29/71.

Enclosed for Seattle is membership list of "POPS", over-forty parachutist group. Also enclosed are copies of membership cards and where appropriate, the information appearing on the rear of these membership cards of the "POPS" organization.

Review of these cards left to discretion of OO and may be of value in developing suspect or individuals who may be able to furnish information on UNSUB.

Interview with _____ "POPS"

On 12/3/71, _____

_____ Parachutists Over Phorty Society (POPS), furnished the following information to SA DONALD A. THIEL:

- ② - Seattle (Enc. 122)
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2:27PM URGENT 12/7/71 VAB

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)

FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST, CAA-HIJACKING;
EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SAN FRANCISCO TELETYPE TO BUREAU, DECEMBER TWO LAST.

UNITED STATES PARACHUTE
ASSOCIATION, HAS OFFERED TO PRINT ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF SUBJECT IN
THEIR MAGAZINE QUOTE PARACHUTIST UNQUOTE FOR JANUARY ISSUE. ARTICLE
WOULD HAVE TO BE IN POSSESSION OF UNITED STATES PARACHUTE ASSO-
CIATION BY DECEMBER TWELVE NEXT.

BUREAU AUTHORITY IS REQUESTED TO HAVE FOLLOWING NOTICE PUB-
LISHED IN JANUARY ISSUE OF QUOTE PARACHUTIST UNQUOTE.

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ENCLOSED IS AN ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF THE HIJACKER WHO EXTORTED TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS FROM NORTHWEST AIRLINES ON NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST. THIS MAN IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

RACE WHITE, SEX MALE, AGE MID FORTIES, HEIGHT, FIVE FEET TEN INCHES TO SIX FEET, WEIGHT ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY TO ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY POUNDS, BUILD AVERAGE TO WELL BUILT, COMPLEXION OLIVE, LATIN APPEARANCE, MEDIUM SMOOTH; HAIR DARK BROWN OR BLACK, NORMAL STYLE, PARTED ON LEFT, COMBED BACK, SIDEBURNS, LOW EAR LEVEL; EYES POSSIBLY BROWN. DURING LATTER PART OF FLIGHT PUT ON DARK, WRAP AROUND SUNGLASSES WITH DARK RIMS. VOICE LOW, SPOKE INTELLIGENTLY, NO PARTICULAR ACCENT, POSSIBLY FROM MIDWEST SECTION OF THE UNITED STATES. CHARACTERISTIC HEAVY SMOKER OF RALEIGH FILTER TIP CIGARETTES. WEARING APPAREL BLACK OR BROWN SUIT; WHITE SHIRT, NARROW BLACK TIE; BLACK DRESS SUIT; BLACK RAIN DASH TYPE OVERCOAT OR DARK TOP COAT; DARK BRIEFCASE OR ATTACHE CASE: CARRIED PAPER BAG FOUR INCHES BY TWELVE INCHES BY FOURTEEN INCHES; BROWN SHOES.

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IF YOU HAVE ANY INFORMATION WHICH MIGHT LEAD TO THE IDENTITY OF THIS INDIVIDUAL, PLEASE CONTACT THE NEAREST FBI OFFICE.

IF APPROVED, A GLOSSY PICTURE OF ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF UNSUB WITH GLASSES AND A GLOSSY PHOTO WITHOUT GLASSES SHOULD BE FORWARDED BY THE BUREAU TO SAN FRANCISCO TO ACCOMPANY THE ARTICLE.

SEATTLE DIVISION INDICES CONTAIN NO DEROGATORY INFORMATION REGARDING [REDACTED]

SAN FRANCISCO ADVISE RESULTS OF INDICES CHECK REGARDING [REDACTED]

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

12/7/71

SA [REDACTED]

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UNSUB, aka
Dan Cooper
Northwest Airlines Flight 305
Portland to Seattle
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: Seattle

Re memo of SA CHARLES R. ST. JOHN, dated 12/2/71.

On December 3, 1971, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] was contacted by SA [REDACTED]
at which time SA [REDACTED] the most
recent artist's conception of the unknown subject. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Pursuant to the foregoing, SA [REDACTED] proceeded
to [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] the artist's conception of the unsub were presented

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] for forwarding to the FBI.

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DB Cooper-29890

11:00 AM URGENT 12/7/71 VLS
TO SEATTLE (164-81)
SAN FRANCISCO (164-2-0)

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOV. TWENTYFOUR, LAST. CAA - HIJACKING;
EXORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SUSPECT

AND WAS INTERVIEWED DEC. SIX, LAST, BY BUAGENTS. HE STATED

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7:15PM NITEL 12/7/71 JAK

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

SEATTLE (164-31)

FROM SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) 1P

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UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO
FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOV. TWENTYFOUR LAST, CAA -
HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SE

RE SE TEL TO DIRECTOR AND SF, DEC. SEVEN, INSTANT.

SF INDICES NEGATIVE RE [REDACTED] AND NO

REASON KNOWN FOR [REDACTED] OFFER TO PUBLISH ARTICLE

AND ARTIST CONCEPTION OF UNSUB IN THEIR MAGAZINE QUOTE THE

PARACHUTIST END QUOTE.

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10:30 PM NITEL 12-7-71 TDH

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)

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UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT

THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR,

SEVENTYONE. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO SE.

RE: [REDACTED] (SUB A).

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[REDACTED] SKY DIVER

MAGAZINE, ONE FIVE TWO ZERO SIX RAYMOND, GARDENA, CALIFORNIA,

AGREED TO PRINT ARTIST'S CONCEPTION AND NARRATIVE CONCERNING

CAPTIONED. JANUARY ISSUE GOES TO PRESS DECEMBER TWELVE AND

MUST BE IN POSSESSION OF [REDACTED] BY THAT DATE.

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IF SEATTLE SECURES BUREAU AUTHORITY FOR PHOTO AND
ARTICLE TO APPEAR IN THIS MAGAZINE, AS WELL AS UNITED STATES
PARACHUTE ASSOCIATION MAGAZINE QUOTE PARACHUTIST END QUOTE,
ARTICLE SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO LA OFFICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

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12/7/71

SA [REDACTED]

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UNSUB; aka
Dan Cooper
Northwest Airlines Flight 305
Portland to Seattle
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: Seattle

On December 1, 1971, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was contacted by SA [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] was shown photographs of the unknown
subject and he advised that this individual is not familiar
to him and that he is certain that this individual has never
had any dealings with [REDACTED] advised that
he is [REDACTED]

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On December 1, 1971, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was contacted by SA [REDACTED]
at which time [REDACTED] was shown a composite photograph
and was furnished descriptive data regarding the unsub. [REDACTED]
stated that this individual is not familiar to him, and that
he has no recollection of having seen the unsub [REDACTED]

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On December 1, 1971, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was shown the photographs and descriptive
data of the unsub. [REDACTED] advised that he has no knowledge
of the unsub, and does not recall having seen him [REDACTED]

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618PM NITEL 12-7-71 DLK

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM LOS ANGELES (164-497) 3P

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT
THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR
LAST; CAA - HIGHJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE

RE LATIN SKY DIVING CLUB: ON DECEMBER TWO LAST [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] KNOWN AS LATIN SKY DIVING CLUB. MEMBERS
[REDACTED]

JUMPED AT PARRIS, AND ELISINORE, CALIFORNIA AND OTHER
AIRPORTS IN WEST. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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STATES ARTISTS CONCEPTION OF HIJACKER NOT IDENTIFIABLE WITH

[REDACTED] LATIN SKY DIVING GROUP COMPOSED
OF EXPERT JUMPERS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ARTISTS SKETCH WILL BE DISPLAYED

[REDACTED]

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HE ADDS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] TO FURNISH INFORMATION REGARDING
SUSPECTS.

HE ALSO IDENTIFIED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

HE STATED [REDACTED]

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LOS ANGELES WILL INTERVIEW [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND IDENTIFICATION OF
POSSIBLE SUSPECTS.

SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA ROBERT H. WICK

SUBJECT: UNSUB;
NWA FLIGHT #305
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

RE: FLYING SCHOOLS, AIRPORTS
AND SKY DIVING CLUBS

The following Aviation companies were contacted and advised they had no suspects in this case. Photographs of the artist's conception ~~was~~ left with these personnel:

[redacted] Vagabond Aviation Company, Olympia Airport
[redacted] Capitol Flight Service, Olympia Airport, both on
November 30, 1971.
[redacted] Executive Flight Service, Hoquiam, Wash on
December 6, 1971 (Bowerman Field)

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Note: Olympia airport and Bowerman Field are the only airports serviced by schools; that have rentals or would be in position to assist in this matter. There are no sky diving schools in the Olympia RA area.

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12/1/71

SA [REDACTED]

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UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT 305
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: Seattle

RE: SKYDIVING CLUBS

Information from [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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International Skydiving meet will be held December 4, 1971, at Abbotsford, B.C., Canada Airport. Expected to be on hand at this meet will be a large number of parachutists from the western United States and Canada.

11A(57) [REDACTED] also stated that he has a copy of an up-to-date list of all skydiving clubs, their presidents, with telephone numbers and addresses, in the United States. He will provide a copy of this list to the FBI as quickly as it can be reproduced.

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[REDACTED] stated that local skydiving clubs are located at Issaquah, Snohomish, Bellingham College, Puyallup, Washington, and at Eugene and Portland, Oregon.

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This information is being supplied for information of the case Agent, leads to be set out at his discretion.

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11/30/71

SA [REDACTED]

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UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE
BUfile 164-2111

The following individuals and businesses were contacted on 11/29/71 for the purpose of identifying the unknown subject artist's rendering in this case. None of these contacts provided positive information:

[REDACTED]
Soaring Unlimited,
12422 68th N.E.,
Kirkland, Washington

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[REDACTED]
Bellevue Airfield,
Bellevue, Washington

[REDACTED]
Bellevue Airfield,
Bellevue, Washington

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[REDACTED]
Lemen Aircraft Service,
Bellevue Airfield,
Bellevue, Washington

[REDACTED]
Bellevue Aviation, Inc.,
Bellevue Airfield,
Bellevue, Washington.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka
Dan Cooper
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: Seattle

RE: SKY DIVERS
U.S. PARACHUTE ASSOCIATION

On 12/1/71 SA [redacted] Los Angeles FBI
Office advised that a [redacted]

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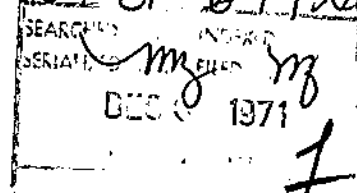
[redacted] had advised [redacted] of the following
information:

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[redacted]
[redacted] all parachute jumpers must be licensed
through U.S. Parachute Association and that an extensive
application including a photo is furnished to the Association's
headquarters at Monterey, California.

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4:18 PM URGENT 12/4/71 DCA

TO DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

FROM SEATTLE (164-81) 2P

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE; CAA -
HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SE.

RE PHONE CALLS FROM BUREAU TO SEATTLE, DECEMBER FOUR, SEVENTY-
ONE.

THE [] MENTIONED IN REFERENCED PHONE CALLS, []

[] HAVE

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ALL BEEN INTERVIEWED BY AGENTS. []

HAS ALSO BEEN INTERVIEWED AND OTHER INDIVIDUALS IN THE VICINITY OF
THE AIR STRIP. IT APPEARS THAT THE PLANE WHICH LANDED ON THE AIR
STRIP, ACCORDING TO []

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[] HAS ALSO BEEN INTERVIEWED BY BUAGENTS. THE LANDING
BY [] WAS ON NOVEMBER TWENTYTHREE, SEVENTYONE, AFTER CIRCLING
AROUND AIR FIELD []

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TO: DIRECTOR

WASHINGTON FIELD

SEATTLE (164-81)

LOS ANGELES (164-497)

FROM: SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)

UNSUB, NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, LAST. CAA - HIJACKING.

FOR INFORMATION UNITED STATES PARACHUTE ASSOCIATION, MONTEREY,
CALIFORNIA, DOES NOT HAVE PHOTOS OF MEMBERS ON FILE AT THEIR
OFFICE. PRIOR TO TIME MEMBERSHIP CARD ISSUED PHOTO OF MEMBER IS
NECESSARY AND IS AFFIXED TO MEMBERSHIP CARD BUT NO COPIES KEPT
BY ASSOCIATION.

[REDACTED] UNITED STATES PARACHUTE
ASSOCIATION, IS AGREEABLE TO PRINTING ARTIST'S CONCEPTION ETC.
OF SUBJECT IN THEIR MAGAZINE "PARACHUTIST" FOR JANUARY ISSUE, THE
ARTICLE TO BE PRINTED WOULD HAVE TO BE IN POSSESSION OF UNITED STATES
PARACHUTE ASSOCIATION BY DECEMBER TWELVE, NEXT.

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TO NEW HAVEN (164-77)

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM LOS ANGELES (164-497)

UNSUB; HIJACKING OF NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE
ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST,
CAA DASH HIJACKING; EXTORTION, OO SEATTLE.

RE LOS ANGELES TELS TO SEATTLE NOVEMBER TWENTYSIX,
DECEMBER ONE AND DECEMBER TWO INSTANT. NEW HAVEN TEL TO
BUREAU, SEATTLE AND LOS ANGELES DECEMBER ONE LAST.

RE: [REDACTED] SET

FORTH LOS ANGELES TEL NOVEMBER TWENTYSIX LAST.

ON DECEMBER ONE LAST, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED HE IS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED] DOES NOT MATCH PHYSICAL

DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT AND HE WOULD DEFINITELY DISCOUNT

[REDACTED] AS POSSIBLE SUSPECT THIS MATTER.

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ON DECEMBER ONE LAST, [REDACTED] VIEWED THE
ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF UNSUB AND STATED [REDACTED] DOES
NOT LOOK LIKE SKETCH.

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ON NOVEMBER THIRTY LAST, [REDACTED], WHO PREVIOUSLY
FURNISHED THE NAME OF [REDACTED] AS A POSSIBLE SUSPECT THIS
MATTER, WAS INTERVIEWED AND ADVISED ARTIST'S CONCEPTION
DOES NOT RESEMBLE [REDACTED] IN ANYWAY, STATING HE RECALLS [REDACTED]
FACE MORE ROUNDER. IT IS NOTED [REDACTED]

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NONE OF ABOVE BEING CONSIDERED SUSPECT BY LOS ANGELES.

RE SUSPECT [REDACTED]

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ON NOVEMBER THIRTY LAST, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED]

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READ OF HIJACKING AND BELIEVED COOPER'S DESCRIPTION FAMILIAR
TO UNSUB.

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[REDACTED] AND THEIR
TELEPHONE NUMBERS, WHO WERE MEMBERS OF CLUB. HE DESCRIBED
CLUB MEMBERSHIP AS BETWEEN TEN AND TWENTY MOST FROM EAST
LOS ANGELES AREA. [REDACTED] SAID DISCUSSION AMONG GROUP
APPEARED TO BE NOTHING MORE THAN NORMAL INTEREST OF SKY
DIVERS ABOUT CRIME WHERE HIJACKERS JUMP FROM AIRPLANE
AND NONE OF CLUB MEMBERS HAD ACTED SUSPICIOUS SINCE HIJACKING.
THIS CLUB DESCRIBED AS LOCAL IN NATURE AND NOT NATIONAL
ORGANIZATION.

SEATTLE, AT FERNDAL, WASHINGTON, CONDUCT APPROPRIATE
INVESTIGATION THROUGH LAST ADDRESS OF DONALD ERN NELSON,
BOX ONE NINE THREE, FERNDAL OR [REDACTED] COMPANY
TO LOCATE AND ESTABLISH WHEREABOUTS OF NELSON DURING
PERTINENT PERIOD.

LOS ANGELES AT [REDACTED], CALIFORNIA, WILL ASCERTAIN IF
[REDACTED] KNOWN TO [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] OR IF NAME MAINTAINED IN RECORDS PARACHUTE CLUB
LOS ANGELES AREA.

AT EAST LOS ANGELES, WILL INTERVIEW [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] FOR ALL INFORMATION
CONCERNING MEMBERSHIP OF CLUB AND DISPLAY ARTIST CONCEPTION TO
[REDACTED]

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Date: 12/2/71

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FROM SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

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UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT
THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOV. TWENTYFOUR,
SEVENTYONE. CAA DASH HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SE

RE SE TELCALL TO LA THIS DATE.

RE SKY DIVING CLUBS.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF LA IN REVIEWING RECORDS
OF SKY DIVING CLUBS, WITNESSES HAVE FURNISHED DESCRIPTION
OF UNSUB WITH VARIATIONS IN AGE FROM THIRTYFIVE TO IN
FIFTIES, VARIATIONS OF HEIGHT FROM FIVE FEET NINE TO
SIX FEET ONE AND VARIATIONS IN WEIGHT FROM ONE FIFTY TO
ONE EIGHTY. THESE VARIATIONS SHOULD BE BORNE IN MIND BY
LA IN CONNECTION WITH REVIEW OF SKY DIVING CLUB RECORDS.

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Special Agent in Charge

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Date: 12/1/71

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FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 1 PAGE

SUB L.

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE; CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION; OO: SEATTLE.

ON NOVEMBER THIRTY, LAST, [REDACTED]

TELEPHONE [REDACTED]

SAID ABOUT [REDACTED] AGO THE CLUB CONDUCTED AN AIR SHOW AT

WASHINGTON, AND THREE MEN PARACHUTED FROM A SEVEN

TWENTY SEVEN AT TWENTY THOUSAND FEET. [REDACTED] BELIEVES THEY WERE

FROM [REDACTED] OREGON, AND [REDACTED] (LNU), WAS

DARK COMPLEXTION AND LOOKED SOMEWHAT LIKE SKETCH OF UNSUB.

SEATTLE ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY PERSONS WHO PARACHUTED FROM

SEVEN TWENTY SEVEN AT [REDACTED]

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Approved: [Signature]

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12:53 PM URGENT 12-2-71 LJQ

TO: LAS VEGAS (164-60)

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 1P

UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER, HIJACKING, NORTHWEST FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE, CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION, OO: SEATTLE, BUFILE ONE SIX FOUR - TWO ONE ONE ONE.

FOR INFORMATION OF LAS VEGAS, ON DECEMBER TWO, SEVENTYONE,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED PORTLAND OFFICE HE LIVED, UNTIL APPROXIMATELY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AGO, IN [REDACTED] NEVADA. [REDACTED] STATED THERE IS A

SKYDIVING CLUB ON OR CLOSE TO AIRPORT ROAD, [REDACTED] WHICH HAS SEVERAL MIDDLE AGED MEN AS MEMBERS. ONE OF THESE MEN, IDENTITY NOT KNOWN TO [REDACTED] RESEMBLES DESCRIPTION AND COMPOSITE ARTIST'S

CONCEPTION THIS CASE. [REDACTED] FURTHER OBSERVED AREA SURROUNDING

[REDACTED] WOULD BE IDEAL COUNTRY FOR NIGHT PARACHUTE JUMPING.

LAS VEGAS HANDLE.

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TO SEATTLE (164-81)

SAN FRANCISCO

FROM LOS ANGELES (164-497) 3P

cc Chutes
cc Sky Dive - L.

UNSUB; HIJACKING OF NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES FLIGHT
NUMBER THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY
FOUR, NINETEEN SEVENTY ONE, CAA DASH HIJACKING; EXTORTION.

OO: SEATTLE

RE: [REDACTED] (SUB A)

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RE LOS ANGELES TELCALL TO SEATTLE AND SEATTLE TELCALL TO
LOS ANGELES, TWELVE TWO INSTANT.

ON TWELVE ONE LAST, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] DESCRIBED TALKING TO SUBJECT
FITTING DESCRIPTION OF HIJACKER DURING JULY OR AUGUST LAST AT

[REDACTED] SUBJECT QUESTIONED [REDACTED] RE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DISCUSSION FOLLOWED RE POSSIBILITIES IF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SUBJECT ASKED [REDACTED] WHERE [REDACTED]

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SA CHARLES R. ST. JOHN

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UNKNOWN SUBJECT; aka
Dan Cooper
Northwest Airlines Flight 305
Portland to Seattle
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: Seattle

RE: SKYDIVING CLUBS

Inquiry has determined that an International Skydiving Meet will be held December 4, 1971, at Abbotsford, B.C., Canada. A large number of parachutists from the western United States and Canada are expected to compete.

SA [] has been alerted and requested to make appropriate arrangements [] for the exhibiting of the artist's conception of the Unknown Subject.

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AT BELLINGHAM, WASHINGTON Insure wide distribution of artist's conception of Unsub at above mentioned skydiving meet. 25 copies of most recent conception enclosed.

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3:11AM (SENT 12-2-71)PM 12-1-71 NITEL LLC

TO SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM SAN DIEGO (164-91)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND
TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST. CAA DASH HIJACKING
AND EXTORTION.

[REDACTED] ADVISED ARTIST'S
CONCEPTION OF UNSUB RESEMBLES [REDACTED] (PHONETIC).

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[REDACTED] THE LOS ANGELES AREA, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
KNOW CURRENT RESIDENCE OF [REDACTED] REPORTEDLY
[REDACTED]

SAN FRANCISCO AT MONTEREY, CALIFORNIA. REVIEW MEMBERSHIP
RECORDS, U.S. PARACHUTE ASSOCIATION, SIX FIVE ONE
CANNERY ROW, TO DETERMINE RESIDENCE OF [REDACTED]
THEREAFTER SET OUT APPROPRIATE LEAD.

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11:47 PM NITEL 12-1-71 AJW

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 1P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES FLIGHTTHREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWO FOUR LAST, CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SEATTLE TELETYPE TO PORTLAND NOVEMBER THIRTY, SEVENTYONE.
ARTISTS CONCEPTION OF UNSUB DISPLAYED TO [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] OREGON. SAME
IS UNFAMILIAR TO HIM. [REDACTED] HAS RECORDS OF ALL FORMER STUDENTS
OF NORTHWEST NATIONAL AVIATION, INC. AND REVIEWED SAME WITH NEGA-
TIVE RESULTS.

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11:45 PM NITEL 12-1-71 AJW

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P) 1P

UNSUB; HIJACKING OF NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,
NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SE
BUFILE ONE SIX FOUR DASH TWO ONE ONE ONE.

REURTEL. NOVEMBER THIRTY SEVENTYONE.

PORTLAND COVERED ADJACENT AREA OF AURORA AIRPORT, AURORA, OREGON,

AND DONALD, OREGON, WHERE SKY-DIVING ACTIVITY CONDUCTED, DURING
AIR SEARCHES PREVIOUSLY REPORTED TO SEATTLE. PERSONAL CONTACT
MADE AT BOTH PLACES WPTH PERSONNEL FAMILIAR WITH SKY-DIVING
OPERATIONS, WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. THIS AREA LOCATED WITHIN
MARION COUNTY, AND MARION COUNTY SO PERSONNEL ALERTED CONCERNING
THIS INVESTIGATION.

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CC - SKY DIVING

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6:39 PM 11-30-71 NITEL DD

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, BUTTE (164-26) 2P

UNKNOWN SUBJECT; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT NUMBER THREE
ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, NINETEEN
SEVENTY ONE. CAA DASH HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] TODAY MADE AVAILABLE
COPY OF [REDACTED] SEVENTY ONE ISSUE OF SKY DIVER
MAGAZINE. [REDACTED] DEPICTED AMONG
OTHERS, IS INDIVIDUAL NAMED [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] WHO BEARS STRIKING RESEMBLANCE TO
ARTISTS CONCEPTION OF UNSUB.

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[REDACTED] YEARS AGO; HOWEVER, DOES NOT KNOW CURRENT
WHEREABOUTS. [REDACTED] ADVISED PUBLISHER ABOVE MAGAZINE
IS [REDACTED]
CALIFORNIA, WHO MAY BE ACQUAINTED WITH [REDACTED] AND COULD
FURNISH ORIGINAL NEGATIVE FOR ABOVE PICTURE. [REDACTED]

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

11/26/71

SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE

Re: FLYING SCHOOLS, AIRPORTS
AND SKY DIVING CLUBS

On the possibility that subject might have rented a plane and flown over the area of southwest Washington or that he might have chartered a plane for the same purpose, the following investigation should be instituted:

1. Identify and then contact each flying school for anyone who might fit the subject's description as having rented a plane, etc.

2. Identify and then contact all air fields which might have rented such an aircraft to anyone who could answer the subject's description in this case.

3. Identify and contact each sky diving school or club and attempt to determine if the UNSUB might be known to them.

The above investigation should be done on an RA basis with King County being handled by Seattle.

The SRA will coordinate the project for each particular RA.

✓ BELLINGHAM - [redacted]
✓ BREMERTON - [redacted]
✓ EVERETT - [redacted]
✓ LONGVIEW - MANNING - *new in Search Sub Section*
✓ OLYMPIA - WICK
✓ RICHLAND - [redacted]
✓ SPOKANE - [redacted]
✓ TACOMA - OLROGG
✓ WENATCHEE - [redacted]
✓ YAKIMA - [redacted]
✓ SEATTLE - SA
CEF: [redacted]

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Memorandum

TO : SAC (164-81)

DATE: 11/26/71

FROM : SA CHARLES R. ST. JOHN

SUBJECT: UNSUB;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE

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Enclosed herewith are 3 x 5 cards concerning the following items:

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ATTN.: PERSONAL CRIMES UNIT

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RE TELEPHONE CALLS FROM SUPERVISOR [REDACTED], PERSONAL
CRIMES UNIT, TO PORTLAND, FEBRUARY 19 AND 20, 1985.

IN RESPONSE TO BUREAU REQUEST FOR SUMMARY OF INFORMATION O
RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN THIS MATTER, THE FOLLOWING IS SET FORTH:

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AT APPROXIMATELY 5:20 P.M., FEBRUARY 11, 1986, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON, TELEPHONICALLY
CONTACTED THE PORTLAND OFFICE TO ADVISE HE HAD FOUND SOME OLD DE-
COMPOSED \$20 BILLS, AND HE WANTED TO KNOW WHETHER THE BILLS WERE
BEING SOUGHT BY LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITIES. NCIC CHECKS OF THREE
SERIAL NUMBERS FURNISHED BY [REDACTED] DISCLOSED TWO WERE ON MORJAK
WANTED LIST. THIRD SERIAL NUMBER FURNISHED CONTAINED TOO MANY

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I-1 LOS ANGELES TIMES

LOS ANGELES, CA

Date: 2/13/80

Edition: Wednesday Final

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Found by Family on Outing Part of 'D. B. Cooper' Loot

WASHINGTON—A young Vancouver, Wash., family on an outing along the Columbia River last Sunday suddenly stumbled across 12 stacks of moldering money—part of the \$200,000 that the notorious airline hijacker "D. B. Cooper" made off with more than eight years ago, the FBI said Tuesday.

With the bills now having been traced definitely to the Cooper loot, 30 agents from the Portland and Seattle FBI offices have begun an extensive search of the area for more of the money—and possibly for some sign of Cooper or, more likely, his remains.

The money—"several thousand dollars," according to one official—was found in Washington about five miles northwest of the Interstate 5 bridge that spans the Columbia and separates Washington from Oregon, FBI agent William M. Baker told a news conference in Portland.

Discovery of the money by Harold Dwayne Ingram, 27, his wife, Patricia, 26, and their sons, 8 and 3, marked the latest twist in the bizarre saga of the now-legendary Cooper, who parachuted from a Northwest Airlines jetliner on Thanksgiving Eve, 1971, never to be seen or heard from again. When found by the Ingrams, the stacks of \$20 bills were bound by decomposing rubber bands, the FBI said. But there was "no trace of D. B. Cooper," according to the agency.

Shortly after the hijacking, a cult sprang up around D. B. Cooper, a name that never has been traced to its origins.

A private club was named in his honor, D. B. Cooper T-shirts were manufactured, bumper stickers were run off and anniversary parties were held.

Baker said in Portland that whether Cooper got away with the rest of the money was an open question.

Law enforcement authorities long have believed that Cooper died in his plunge from the Boeing 727 because he was wearing only a business suit and street shoes when he jumped into a howling wind and freezing rain in an unreliable parachute. It has been estimated that he hit the ground at a speed of 50 to 70 m.p.h.

The saga began when "Cooper" boarded the jetliner in Portland for an evening flight to Seattle. Once airborne, he demanded that the airline have \$200,000 in \$20 bills and three parachutes on hand when the plane landed in Seattle. He threatened to blow up the plane if his demands were not met.

The airline complied, providing the parachutes and money. However, the FBI said Tuesday that the serial numbers of the bills had been recorded.

Cooper permitted the airliner's 36 passengers to leave the plane in Seattle. He then ordered the crew to take the plane to Reno and told the pilot to fly at a relatively low altitude and to open the plane's rear stairway.

Crew members last heard his voice on the plane's intercom when they were over the Washington-Oregon border. They said they believe he jumped, using the least reliable parachute.

The decomposed money was found 17 to 20 miles from the jump site by the Ingrams' older son, Brian. The bills were partly buried in sand that the Ingrams were scooping out to build a fire.

"Here's some more wood for the fire, Daddy," the father recalled his son as saying.

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A-1 HERALD EXAMINER
LOS ANGELES, CA

Date: 2/13/80

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D.B. and the money

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V ANCOUVER, Wash. — William M. Baker, assistant agent in charge of the Portland FBI office, said discovery of the money bills, used eight years ago as part of the \$200,000 paid to airline hijacker "D.B. Cooper," have been found on a attempt.

Columbia River beach near here, Cooper's extortion effort was the first time a jet had been hijacked the FBI announced yesterday.

Harold D. Ingram, 27, his wife, Patricia, 28, and their two sons, were picnicking on what is known as Tena's Bar last Sunday when their older son discovered the money.

Eight-year-old Brian Ingram was helping his father gather firewood and had scooped out sand for a fire. As his father was about to drop an armload of wood, young Ingram said, "Wait a minute, Daddy."

Recalling his find yesterday, Brian said, "I seen that money, I thought, wow." But his parents remained calm, the son recalled. "They thought it was counterfeit."

The tattered and worn bills young Ingram found were the first to be recovered by law enforcement agencies since Nov. 24, 1971, when a passenger hijacked a Northwest Airlines Boeing 727.

The man, identified on the flight list as Dan Cooper, parachuted out of the airliner somewhere over southwestern Washington.

The serial numbers on the bills discovered by young Ingram matched those on the money given Cooper by the FBI in 1971.

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Seattle, Wa.Date: 2/12/80
Edition: Final

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Part of D.B. Cooper money found

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Compiled from news services
WASHINGTON — The Federal Bureau of Investigation has found about \$4,000 of the money that the legendary hijacker, D.B. Cooper, carried with him when he parachuted from a commercial jet over Southwest Washington in 1971, a bureau spokesman said Tuesday.

The spokesman, who asked not to be named, said a family wandering along the banks of the Columbia River north of Portland, Ore., found a packet of money this week.

Held together by a rubber band, the packet of \$20 bills was so badly deteriorated the F.B.I. could not make an exact count of the amount, the spokesman said.

Despite the deterioration, the spokesman said the F.B.I. was able to identify the money as part of the \$200,000 ransom given to Cooper in Seattle nine years ago. When the money was given to the hijacker, the F.B.I. kept records of the serial numbers.

The packet was found 20 miles downstream from the point where Cooper is believed to have bailed

out of the Northwest Airlines 727, the spokesman said.

He added that with floods along the river it was likely that in nine years the packet had been carried some distance.

The Portland and Seattle offices of the F.B.I. were conducting a search in the area, but the spokesman said it was unlikely that discovery of the money packet would aid in the search for Cooper, the only parachute-ransom hijacker in United States history who has not been apprehended.

Cooper boarded a Northwest

flight in Portland on Thanksgiving Eve, 1971, using the name Dan Cooper. Before the plane reached Seattle, Cooper threatened to explode a "bomb" in his brief case if he were not given \$200,000 in \$20 bills and four parachutes and flown to Reno, Nev.

The plane circled Seattle for 2½ hours while authorities gathered the parachutes and money.

The passengers and two of the three stewardesses were allowed to leave the plane. The money and parachutes were loaded and the plane took off for Reno. The pilot

was ordered to fly as slowly as possible.

Somewhere over Southwest Washington, the hijacker, the money and one of the parachutes disappeared out of the plane's rear exit, opened in flight. The approximate place of departure was guessed at from cabin-pressure readings on the flight recorder.

The flight recorder and crew testimony indicated Cooper had jumped near the little town of Ariel, Cowlitz County, about 30 miles north of Portland, a densely wooded area in the foothills of the Cascade Mountains.

Despite intensive searches of the area, the only item connected with the hijacking ever found was a rear door from the 727.

Nothing ever was seen of Cooper or the \$200,000.

The F.B.I. has said since shortly after the hijacking it believed Cooper probably was killed when he landed.

In 1977, just to make sure the hijacker didn't escape prosecution via the statute of limitations, he was indicted on federal charges in absentia.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)
ATTN: FBI LABORATORY, DOCUMENT SECTION, SA [redacted] &
IDENTIFICATION DIVISION, LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION
FROM [redacted] AC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

NORJAK

Re Portland teletype to FBIHQ, attention [redacted]
[redacted], 2/12/80.

Forwarded under separate cover to the Bureau are 12
plastic packets, each containing an unknown quantity of U. S.
currency in a deteriorating condition.

REQUEST OF THE FBI LABORATORY, DOCUMENT SECTION

Separate currency to determine exact amount contained
therein. [redacted] - 4401

Examine soil residue co-mingled with currency, to
determine soil type, to assist in determining possible other
location where currency may have been besides sandy beach area.

REQUEST OF THE IDENTIFICATION DIVISION, LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

Examine currency for any latent fingerprints contained
thereon.

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ATTN.: FBI LABORATORY, DOCUMENT SECTION, SA [REDACTED]

NORJAK; OO:SEATTLE.

RE PORTLAND TELETYPE TO FBIHQ, ATTENTION: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], DATED FEBRUARY 12, 1980.

BEING FORWARDED TO FBIHQ BY FEDERAL EXPRESS IS A PACKAGE CONTAINING EVIDENCE TO BE EXAMINED BY THE LABORATORY DIVISION AND THE IDENTIFICATION DIVISION. THE BILL OF LADING NUMBER IS L-0,683,547.

PACKAGE IS TO ARRIVE AT FBIHQ AROUND NOON ON FEBRUARY 14, 1980.

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To: DIRECTOR, FBI (104-20)
ATTN: EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR 2/17/80
SAC, SEATTLE (104-21) HOMER ROYNTON, JR.
From: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)
Subject: NORJAK

Date: 2/17/80
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM : SAC, SACRAMENTO (164-50) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK
OO: Seattle

DATE: 7/11/80

Sub J, m.

For the information of Portland on 7/9/80, Deputy [redacted], Siskiyou County Sheriff's Office, Yreka, California, advised that he had received information from an individual who wished to have her identity protected regarding captioned matter. This individual's name is [redacted], California, telephone number [redacted]. [redacted] advised [redacted] that approximately two years ago [redacted], who now resides at [redacted], Phoenix, Arizona, telephone number [redacted], told her that while working on a ranch near Hilt, California, on the Oregon border with an individual named [redacted] that [redacted] had gotten drunk and told [redacted] that he was D. B. Cooper. [redacted] went on to tell [redacted] that he had buried the money after the sky-jacking and was waiting to dig it up. He advised that he had moved to the Hilt, California, area due to the fact that there were too many policeman aware of the situation in Washington and Oregon.

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Subsequent to receiving the above information [redacted] was telephonically contacted on 7/9/80, and advised that again she wished to have her identity remain anonymous but that she had received the above information from [redacted] approximately two or three years ago and that [redacted] had again mentioned it approximately two or three months ago. [redacted] advised that she had seen [redacted] once or twice but that [redacted] had worked and lived with [redacted] and therefore would be extremely familiar with him. [redacted] advised that to the best of her recollection [redacted] was a white male, between the ages of 30 and [redacted]

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RE: NORJAK

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☐ The enclosed is for your information. If used in a future report, ☐ conceal all sources, ☐ paraphrase contents.

☐ Enclosed are corrected pages from report of SA _____ dated _____

Remarks:

Enclosed is a copy of the LFPS report of 3-14-80 to Portland, which set out result of latent print examination of U.S. currency recovered in this case.

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YOUR FILE NO. 164-41 (P)
FBI FILE NO. 164-2111
LATENT CASE NO. A-45410

March 14, 1980

TO: SAC, Portland

RE: NORJAK

REFERENCE: Airtel 2-13-80
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Portland
SPECIMENS: Approximately \$5,800.00 in U. S. currency, Q58

The Q specimen is further described in a separate Laboratory report.

No latent prints are present or were developed on the U. S. currency.

The currency is being returned under separate cover.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 4/23/80

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NORJAK
OO: Seattle*SUBS: E, A, J, M*

For information, on 2/20/80, [REDACTED], Vancouver, Washington, phone number [REDACTED], was contacted and she advised that [REDACTED] visited the Tena Bar area in Vancouver, near the location searched by the FBI for ransom money. [REDACTED] happened to find a corner of a \$20.00 bill, and she would allow agents of the FBI to examine same.

On 2/20/80, [REDACTED], supra, and [REDACTED], [REDACTED], were contacted at their residence, and [REDACTED] displayed a corner of a \$20.00 bill which he found on the Tena Bar. He stated that he found this item sticking out of the sand near the area searched by the FBI. He provided the corner of the \$20.00 bill to the writer to determine if in fact it is a portion of the ransom money.

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The corner of the \$20.00 bill provided by [REDACTED] in no way resembles the sections of money found during the search on Tena Bar. It is the opinion of the writer that this item was placed there as a practical joke. The section of the \$20.00 bill provided by [REDACTED] has been placed in a 1A envelope for the file.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION*Memorandum*

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 4/7/80

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBS: E, G, J, M

SUBJECT: NORJAS^K(A)

On 2/14/80, [REDACTED], Washougal, Washington, telephone [REDACTED], advised on 3/22/77, he found seven \$20 bills in the Washougal River below the bowling alley in Washougal, Washington. He stated these bills were in the water and he gave them no thought until the \$20 bills were found recently in Vancouver which apparently came from the D. B. Cooper skyjacking. He stated he still had the bills and would provide the serial numbers to the FBI when he returned home.

Later that same day, [REDACTED], supra, provided the serial numbers and series/year of the seven \$20 bills mentioned above. The serial numbers and series/years are as follows:

<u>Serial Number</u>	<u>Series/Year</u>
L91936905B	1950B
G94889488C	1950D
A63443468A	1950D
L90073045B	1950B
L97893172B	1950B
L9744---8B	1950B
L0446945*	1950B

A check with the list of known serial numbers and series/year of the D. B. Cooper \$20 bills revealed the above serial numbers and series/years did not match those in the list.

The above is for information.

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Curse of D.B.

Cooper SUBS: B, C, ☐ E, G, MMisfortune Dogs the Family That
Found Part of Skyjacker's Money

By Michael Sweeney

Harold Dwayne Ingram, 28, father of the 8-year-old boy who found part of skyjacker D.B. Cooper's ransom money last month, has been arrested in Vancouver, Wash., on a fugitive warrant from Oklahoma.

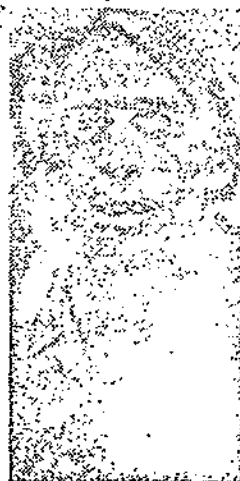
The warrant charges Ingram with unlawfully removing mortgaged property from the state of Oklahoma — a felony charge that carries a maximum penalty of three years in prison.

Clark County sheriff's deputies arrested Ingram at his rented home in Vancouver Monday afternoon. He was released Tuesday night after a local bail bondsman posted Ingram's \$300 bail, sheriff's deputies said.

Kathy Kelly, a legal assistant in the Clark County Prosecuting Attorney's office, said Ingram is scheduled to appear in county district court April 17 for an identification hearing to determine if he is, in fact, the same Harold Ingram sought in Oklahoma.

If he is, Kelly said, Oklahoma authorities will have 60

HAROLD INGRAM:
"This is no big thing.
At least I hope it's
not."



days to file extradition papers to force Ingram's return to Oklahoma for trial.

Kelly said court documents filed by authorities in Pittsburg County, Okla., last April charge that Ingram owed \$815 then on a used car purchased a month earlier in McAlester, Okla.

The warrant for Ingram's arrest was filed last month, after Pittsburg County District Attorney Don Roberts recognized newspaper photos of Ingram that circulated nationwide in the wake of his family's discovery of a portion of D.B. Cooper's loot.

Cooper parachuted into a freezing rainstorm over Southwest Washington with \$200,000 after hijacking a Seattle-bound Northwest Airlines plane Nov. 24, 1971.

Ingram's son, Brian, unearthed several thousand dollars of the ransom money Feb. 10, as he dug a fire pit in the sand along the banks of the Columbia River downstream from Vancouver.

The next day, Ingram turned the money over to the FBI, which announced the find with great fanfare at a press conference featuring the Ingram family.

"Several of us read the paper and recognized him," Roberts told The Associated Press. "We had a warrant sworn out to have him brought back."

Ingram's arrest is the latest in a string of reversals that have followed his family's brief glow in the lime-light.

Two weeks after the money was discovered, Ingram's wife, Patricia, reported that her husband was forced to give up 1½ days of pay — about \$100 — in order to

return the money and attend the FBI's press conference.

"We live from paycheck to paycheck, and we could sure use that \$100," she told The Post-Intelligencer at the time.

Mrs. Ingram told The P-I that recovery of the skyjack loot also resulted in family strife that arose when a relative tried to take credit for finding the money.

Late Saturday night, about 35 hours before Ingram was arrested, a fire broke out in an upstairs bedroom of the Ingram home and caused \$1,000 damage before Vancouver firefighters could put it out.

Vancouver Fire Marshal Gordon Gage said the blaze was caused by a short in an extension cord.

And as of yesterday, Ingram had missed three days of work this week at the U-Card Concrete Manufacturing Co. in Vancouver.

"We're trying to reach him, because we really want to help him," U-Card owner Joe Tanner said yesterday.

Tanner said his firm intends to advance Ingram the money "to get this thing in Oklahoma squared away."

"We think he's getting a bum rap," Tanner said.

"I'm from Texas, and I've got a little knowledge about these Southern redneck laws that let a D.A. help businessmen collect their debts," he said.

"I've been told he (Ingram) has been making payments on this car loan, and he's only a couple of payments behind," Tanner said.

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Columbian
Vancouver, Wa.

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Worst may be over

By CYNTHIA TANK
Columbian Staff Writer

"I hate to think the thoughts people will be thinking about me all over the United States," said Harold Dwayne Ingram as he sat in his boss's office Thursday afternoon.

The 28-year-old Vancouver resident said he now regrets his 8-year-old son Brian's finding of D.B. Cooper's hijack ransom money last month.

"I regret it for myself, but not for Brian," who, he said, has enjoyed all the attention.

Brian and his family made national headlines after a family outing on a Columbia River beach near Vancouver Feb. 10 turned into a major media and FBI event. Brian was preparing a campfire when he scooped out about \$5,000 of the \$200,000 Cooper had demanded and received before jumping out of an airliner in 1971.

Since last month Ingram has:

○ Lost 1½ days pay — about \$100 — in order to return the money and attend an FBI press conference.

○ Watched as a fire caused about \$1,000 damage to the upper floor of his home at 1500 Markle St. Saturday.

○ Been arrested Monday on an Oklahoma warrant alleging he left that state unlawfully

with mortgaged property — a car.

Officials in Oklahoma said they recognized Ingram from newspaper photographs that appeared after the famous find. Ingram had been wanted for about six months before the story first appeared in the paper, they said.

The warrant was issued because Ingram allegedly is behind in payments for his car.

"I have every receipt," Ingram said Thursday. "I don't have a payment due on that car until the 20th of next month."

"I feel confused, really confused," Ingram said Thursday. "And I feel pretty unlucky. I'm not angry; I'm kind of hurt. I really care what people think about me."

Ingram said he bought his car from a new car salesman, paid \$200 or \$300 down, and arranged for financing. He said he notified the finance company when he and his family moved here from Oklahoma last winter.

His arrest Monday was an unhappy surprise, he said.

"I had no idea I had a warrant on me," he said. "That's obvious, or I wouldn't be flashing my face all over the world."

He might have been late with a payment or two, he said, "but rich people do that, too, don't they?"

But things were looking up for Ingram

today. His boss and attorney, Joe Tanner, said this morning he has been told by the Pittsburg County, Okla., district attorney that that office now has verification of Ingram's car payments. Ingram, in fact, is paid ahead to July on the car, Tanner said.

Tanner said a few details need to be worked out, but when they are the district attorney has told him the charges will be dropped. That will not occur until Monday, Tanner said he was told. The district attorney was unavailable for comment this morning.

As for Ingram's other bad fortune, just before midnight Saturday, two bedrooms on the upper floor burned, and his landlord — who bailed him out of jail Tuesday — started remodeling the next day.

Tanner, vice president of U-Cart Concrete Systems Inc. of Vancouver, where Ingram is employed, said the company is behind him. Tanner, a lawyer, said he will represent Ingram without charge.

Until the charges against him are dropped, Ingram faces an April 17 identification hearing in Clark County District Court.

"These people are great here," Ingram said of his fellow employees. "They want to back me 100 percent."

"He's been treated unfairly," Tanner said.

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To: SAC, Portland (164-41)

March 18, 1980

From: Director, FBI

FBI FILE NO. 164-2111

Re: NORJAK ✓

LAB. NO. 00304057 D LL VJ

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Examination requested by:

Portland

Reference:

Airtel dated February 29, 1980

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Re: NORJAK

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Specimens received

February 3, 1980

Four United States Twenty Dollar Bills described as follows:

<u>SPECIMEN</u>	<u>SERIAL NUMBER</u>
Q60	G03072381B
Q61	LI0919321A
Q62	L55066857A
Q63	L32987392A

Result of examination:

Specimens Q60 through Q63 contained mineralogical material which was similar to the Q59 sand previously submitted.

Q60 through Q63 were photographed and will be returned with the results of the fingerprint examination.

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FRANCISCO (164-220) (Sq.10) (P)

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OO: SEATTLE

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Re San Francisco telephone call to Seattle, dated 3/5/80.

Being forwarded to the Seattle Office is one copy each of the following:

A letter dated 2/20/80 from [redacted] showing a xerox copy of a twenty dollar bill marked exhibit "A".

A xerox copy of a letter dated 3/6/80 to the FBI from [redacted] and a copy of an article captioned "Take the money and jump-how he foiled FBI," dated May 12-18-Berkeley Barb.

As mentioned in referenced telephone call the San Francisco Office contacted [redacted] after the receipt of his first letter of 2/20/80. [redacted] stated that he had obtained the plate of the twenty dollar bill which was published in the Berkeley Barb sometime in November, 1972.

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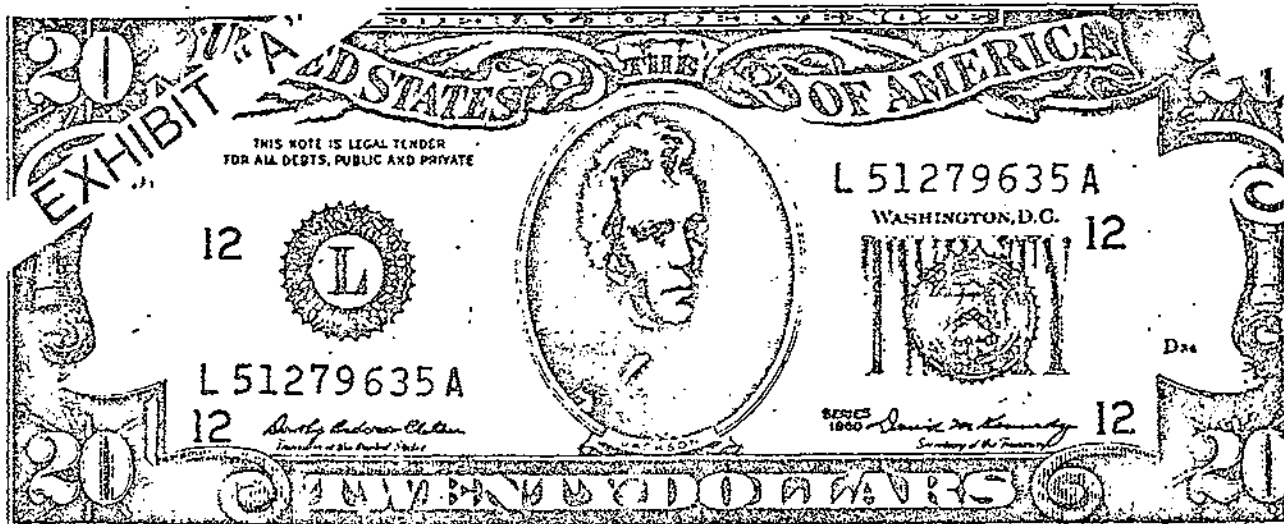
The following purports to be a copy of one of
the twenty dollar bills taken by skyjacker "D.B. Cooper"
when he jumped from a 727 on 24 November 1971.

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to any of the stolen currency.

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Here is a copy of page 11 of the
May 12, 1972 alleged interview with
D.B. Cooper.

Confirmation of the serial number on
the reproduced bill will form the basis
of a short item in a magazine article
I have submitted.

I would like to know of any further
confirmation or disputation of the
details in the enclosed article.

I may be reached c/o the above address.

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TAKE THE MONEY AND JUMP

MAY 12-18 BERKELEY BARB PAGE 11

HOW HE FOILED FBI

DB Cooper-29979

Last November 24th, a man identifying himself as "Cooper" parachuted from a Northwest Orient Lines 727 jetliner between Seattle and Reno Nevada with a parcel containing 10,000 twenty dollar bills which was the ransom money that had been delivered to him while he held the planes crew hostage at the Seattle-Tacoma International airport.

The F.B.I. and other state and local law enforcement agents assisted by companies of G.I.'s from Fort Lewis have futilely wasted many hours and thousands of taxpayers dollars looking for Cooper.

So far Cooper has successfully eluded his following in the same ingenious manner that he pulled off his skyjack caper, coolly staying a safe distance away from danger.

The F.B.I. headquarters in Seattle has vowed to scrutinize every foot of land between the Sea-Tac airport and Reno to turn up clues in the case.

Despite rewards of 5,000 dollars by the Media's "Fink on your Friends" program the public has generally granted Cooper adoration and somewhat a hero status. An anonymous interviewer from the twice weekly newspaper the 'Seattle Flag' has produced a story from a taped interview with D.B. Cooper which is validated by the presentation of one of the recorded twenty dollar bills included in the ransom money.

This story was run in the 'Flag' because the interviewer was unable to send it to the 'Post-Intelligencer' because they had the 5,000 dollar reward out for Coopers head also television stations would have requested a tape from which voice prints could possibly be produced. Therefore, running the story in the Flag was the only solution.

Cooper said that the witnesses description were off by about fifteen pounds and a couple of inches. Also that the artist's impression were very poor. When asked why we was still in Washington state he added that he felt it was safer to hide where no one would imagine him to be rather than to go to some place like Mexico or South America where the authorities would naturally expect him to go.

He said he started actual work on his skyjacking plan last June. The idea had come to him while he was

it was a calculated risk that's why he jumped in bad weather and at night, also he waited a little longer than usual before pulling his ripcord. Adding that his free fall was about 5,000 of the total 7,000 feet. Which was very risky doing at night.

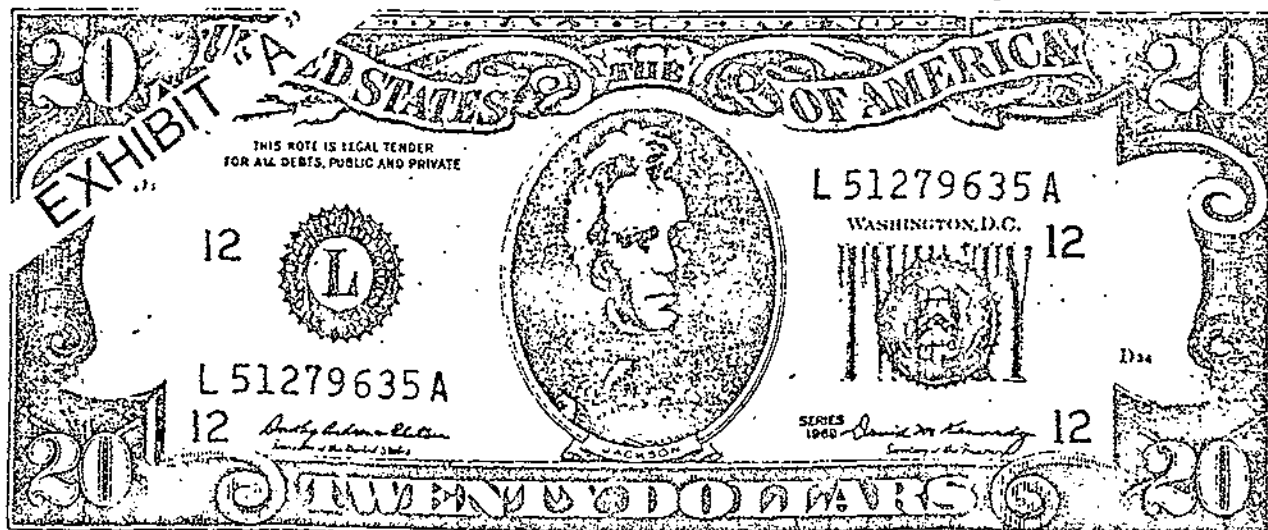
He came down about a hundred miles away from S.W. Washington contrary to the F.B.I. report that he touched down near Vancouver Washington.

The first thing he did on landing was bury his chute, he was within five miles of where he had intended in an evergreen wooded terrain. He credited this accuracy to his projected calculations and his Japanese watch. He wouldn't say whether he had an accomplice on the ground. He said he had lived in Seattle and had once

two parachutes he had ordered. A stewardess came back with the money in a canvas bag to where Cooper was holding another stewardess as hostage in the rear of the passenger cabin.

Cooper checked out the loot, first thing and noticed that they reeked of duplicating fluid. Then the stewardess made two more trips out on to the run way to bring in the chutes.

Then one of the fuel trucks pulled up...then he ordered the passengers off the plane, and everyone else into the cockpit...a middle-aged, executive looking man started to push his way back through the line into the tourist cabin. Cooper tensed up expecting the guy to try something heroic - but he had just left his briefcase on his seat and was retrieving it...



worked at Boeing's on the construction of the first Boeing 727 in 1963 and got to know the 727 from the inside out.

The reason he was attracted to the plan was the alignment of the three Pratt & Whitney engines two on the sides of the rear fuselage and the third at the base of the T-tail assembly. Also the down-flaps stalling speed. One hundred

He figured if the F.B.I. was going to make a move it would be at Sea-Tac. Everybody but the stewardess he was holding hostage and the three man crew was clear of the plane. Buzzing the cockpit he asked the captain what the hold-up was. Trouble with the vapor lock was the answer. And another truck was coming. Cooper told the Captain: "Not more than one fuel truck at a

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FBI geologist favors Washougal River

Landing for D.B. / SUBS: B, E, G, M,

By MYRON STRUCK

States News Service

WASHINGTON — Did D.B. Cooper land in, or near, the Washougal River rather than the Lewis River?

In the personal opinion of the chief FBI geologist who worked on the case, D.B. Cooper may have landed in the Washougal River, not near the Lewis River where it had been presumed that he came to earth —

before about \$5,800 in compressed, wet and eroded money was found along the banks of the Columbia River in February upstream from the Lewis.

The Washougal River scenario is the private view of geologist Chris Fiedler, who handled the soil analysis on the money, and not part of the agency's official report to the Seattle field office coordinating the

investigation.

Still, it seems to be the only clue — that might help the investigation the FBI was able to glean from a recent analysis of the bills in its Washington, D.C., research area known as The Laboratory.

The official report says little was found on the wad of money. The basis for the new information is Fiedler's research of the sand particles found

among the bills and his discussions with federal geologists in the field.

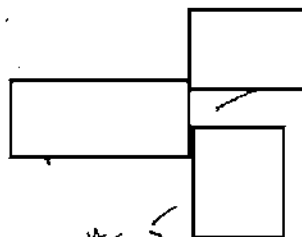
He has concluded that the range of sand particles found among the bills is similar to sediment along the Columbia River and a number of its tributaries.

Fiedler's opinion has been disavowed firmly by his mineralogy division section chief.

"He could have landed in the

Columbia River," Fiedler said. "Or he could have come down in the Washougal. The latter is where my training, and instincts, tell me is more likely, based on the data I have available."

The sand tests involve little in the way of complicated equipment — only a simple microscope and some geological reference material that discusses the characteristics of sand



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February 3, 1980

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Q63	L32987392A

Result of examination:

Specimens Q60 through Q63 contained mineralogical material which was similar to the Q59 sand previously submitted.

Q60 through Q63 were photographed and will be returned with the results of the fingerprint examination.

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Date 3/6/80

TO: [REDACTED] SEATTLE

FROM: [REDACTED] BALTIMORE (164-223) (SQ.8) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK,
 CAA - HIJACKING
 (OO: Seattle)

SUB [REDACTED] J, M
 SUB A - letter

Enclosed for the Seattle Office is a letter from [REDACTED], Fort Pearce, Florida. The letter was addressed to FBI, Washington, D. C., but was incorrectly delivered to the Wilmington, Delaware Resident Agency.

The letter, dated 2/14/80, concerns the subject and money involved in your investigation, NORJAK. The enclosed is forwarded for your information and action deemed appropriate.

Wilmington is also currently pursuing another lead on this matter which emanated from a totally unrelated source. Seattle is requested to check, if feasible, the name [REDACTED] against those in its file and inform Wilmington of any positive results.

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The following investigation was conducted by
SA [REDACTED]:

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On February 20, 1980, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED], U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, Portland District,
telephone [REDACTED], was contacted regarding the possibility that
bait money found near the [REDACTED] on February 10,
1980, could have been brought to that area by a river feeding
the Columbia River from the north.

The area believed to be the drop zone of the subject in
1971, is described as that area in the State of Washington
bounded on the north by the Lewis River, the east by the
Clark County-Skamania County line, and the Columbia River.

[REDACTED] advised the only likely river feeding the Columbia
River within the above described drop zone that would be
capable of moving several bundles of money or a package
about 16x16x4 inches to the Columbia River would be the
Washougal River. A logical time, if the money came down the
Washougal, would have been during the December 2, 1977
Washougal flood when parts of the river were approximately
ten feet over the normal winter flood stage.

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There are several other streams that feed the
Columbia River upstream from the [REDACTED];
however, due to size, or the degree of slope of the
streams, it is unlikely that a small package would have
made it to the Columbia. It is also unlikely that a
small package would have passed through Lacamas Lake downstream
to the Columbia.

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[REDACTED] stated that based on the three feet per second
speed of the Columbia River, if a small package entered the Columbia
River at Washougal, Washington, and floated in the main stream
of the river to the [REDACTED], a distance approximately
thirty miles, it would take 14.7 hours. This is assuming that
the package did not tumble along the bottom of the river or
get caught on any snags.

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The following investigation was conducted by SAs
[redacted] on February 13, 1980:

AT PORTLAND, OREGON

[redacted], Waterways Maintenance Branch, Navigation Division, U.S. Army Engineer District, 319 S.W. Pine, telephone [redacted], was contacted regarding dredging operations on the Columbia River since November 24, 1971. The purpose of obtaining this information was to determine if it was possible that the bait money located on the beach property on the [redacted] Vancouver, Washington, on February 10, 1980, could have been placed there through dredging operations on the Columbia River.

[redacted], after a review of his records, advised that the only dredging operation between November 24, 1971, and the present in the vicinity of the [redacted] was during August 6 through September 18, 1974.

Material dredged from the river channel in the Columbia River was placed in several locations on or near the [redacted] as well as one location across the river on the Oregon side.

The dredge material deposited at the site where the money was located came from the north half of the ship channel, which is 300 feet wide, between river mile 96 plus 38 feet and river mile 97 plus 17 feet. This material was deposited on the beach area of the [redacted] between August 19 through the 25th, 1974, and consisted of 91,100 cubic yards of fill.

The channel is maintained at 40 feet in depth and all the material above 40 feet is dredged out. The dredge "Washington" of the General Construction Company did the dredging on this project. It had a 24 inch pipe with wiper bar inside the pipe. The wiper bar keeps large objects such as rocks from passing through the pipe. [redacted] stated it would be possible for a 16x16x4 inch package to get through the pipe; however, it is likely that a package that size or a human body or parts thereof would

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[redacted], Portland State University, home address [redacted], home telephone number [redacted], work telephone number [redacted], was interviewed following [redacted] Tena Bar in Vancouver, Washington, where portions of \$20 bills had been found. These \$20 bills were among the money furnished a person identifying himself as D. B. COOPER during a 1971 airplane high-jacking attempt. [redacted] was interviewed by SA [redacted] of the Portland, Oregon, FBI Office.

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[redacted] advised that he found the beach area in the vicinity where the money was found to be in approximately four different layers. These layers consisted of an upper sand layer, a post dredging sand layer, a clay lump (dredge) sand layer, and below that an older sand layer. The upper layer consisted of six inches to eight inches of reworked beach sand and is the sand which contained the fragments and bundles of the recovered money. This sand also contained soda pop cans and other debris, which were not severely damaged or rusted. The post dredging sand contained older soda pop cans, rusted nails and spikes, and other rusted artifacts, which were in a much more deteriorated condition. The clay lump (dredge) sand was a mixture of coarse sand and fragments of organic clay material, ranging from one inch to five inches in size. Based on U.S. Corps of Engineering records which reflect that they dredged the Columbia River at this site in 1974, [redacted] stated this clay layer in all probability, was deposited during that 1974 dredging. The older sands, which were light in color and uniform in texture and which were found below the clay lump sand, were deposited prior to the 1974 dredging.

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[redacted] advised that in the post dredging layer, he found cross bedded coarse and medium sand, which indicated the river and river waves had worked repeatedly on this layer since 1974. The upper six inches to eight inches of reworked beach sand is the active layer which is currently being worked by the water of the Columbia River.

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Based on the condition of the money through observation, [redacted] advised that the money was probably washed into the location where it was found by natural river flow and was probably placed at the location of Tena Bar during the last rise in the Columbia River in the past two or three months.

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Investigation on 2/13/80 at Vancouver, Washington File # PD-164-41-1753
by A [redacted] Date dictated 2/14/80 DB Cooper-29990


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DIRECTOR, FBI (164-211)
(ATTN: PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICE)

2/26/80

 PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

SUB: C, M

NORJAK
OO: Seattle

Enclosed for the Bureau is one packet of newspaper articles collected at Portland, Oregon.

The enclosed articles are typical of those appearing in most major newspapers in the State of Oregon following announcement of the location of a portion of the ransom received by the subject in this matter.

The media contacts on this matter by personnel of the Portland Division during the period 2/12-25/80 included one press conference, 26 television appearances, and a multitude of recorded radio appearances.

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Date 2/29/80

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)
 ATTN: FBI LABORATORY,
 DOCUMENT SECTION, SA [REDACTED]
 FBI IDENTIFICATION DIVISION,
 LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION,

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FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAE

SUBS. G, M, [REDACTED]

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Re Portland airtel to Bureau, 2/13/80; and Portland teletype to Bureau, 2/20/80.

Enclosed herewith for the Laboratory are four additional bills from the ransom in this matter obtained on 2/14/80, from [REDACTED] as was set forth in referenced teletype.

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LABORATORY. Is requested to conduct any examination possible with the four above mentioned additional bills and to include them with the rest of the recovered ransom.

Upon conclusion of the laboratory examination of the ransom in this matter, the evidence should be returned to Portland for preservation in connection with the prosecution presently before the U.S. District Court, Portland.

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TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 3/4/80

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NORJAK
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Following the finding of a portion of the Norjak money along the Columbia River, approximately 5 miles downstream from the I-5 bridge, Vancouver, Washington, on the weekend of February 9-10, 1980, the following Special Agents from the Seattle Division proceeded to the money site: [REDACTED];

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Also at the site were SA's [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] (Vancouver RA).

Agents from the Portland Division provided the origin manpower to search the beach area for any other traces of NORJAK evidence.

On 2/14/80 and 2/15/80 the Seattle Division finished searching the crime scene area with the assistance of [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] provided a [REDACTED] which were used for hire in [REDACTED]. The scene was secured on the afternoon of 2/15/80. No further funds were found or other evidence.

[REDACTED], Portland State University was on the scene to advise the FBI on soil samples on 2/14/80. The Portland Division is preparing an FD-302 in this regard. The Portland Division also forwarded the found money to the FBI Laboratory. There was approximately \$5800 found according to the lab. A separate lab report is being prepared.

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The [REDACTED] has been paid by separate communication and through SA [REDACTED].

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Seattle Times
Seattle, Wa.

Date: 2/29/80

Edition: AM

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Discovered 'Cooper' bills only \$5,800, says F.B.I.

VANCOUVER, Wash. — (AP) — The crumbling remains of \$20 bills unearthed by a Vancouver family more than two weeks ago represents about \$5,800 of the \$200,000 taken in the 1971 D.B. Cooper skyjacking, the Federal Bureau of Investigation says.

Ray Mathis, senior agent, said officials counted the decaying greenbacks during F.B.I. laboratory tests in Washington, D.C.

Otis Cox of the bureau's Washington, D.C., office said little else has been revealed about the money. Lab technicians continue to study the loot, particularly for evidence of where it might have been before it washed up on the

banks of the Columbia River, Otis said.

The lumpy wads of money were found buried in shallow sand west of here.

The fate of Cooper, America's first skyjacker-for-money, has never been learned, although the F.B.I. maintains he is probably long dead.

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paper, city and state.) p.A8Seattle Times
Seattle, Wa.

Date: 3/2/80

Edition: Sunday

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Agent in D.B. Cooper

case retires

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PORTLAND — For more than eight years, Ralph Himmelsbach, an agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation, followed a narrow trail of clues and tips in his quest of a legendary hijacker called D.B. Cooper. But the first real break in the case didn't come until Himmelsbach's F.B.I. career was drawing to a close.

After 29 years with the bureau, Himmelsbach retired as of Friday, a few months before he reaches the mandatory-retirement age of 55.

Himmelsbach was the agent regarded as the bureau's expert on the puzzling case that started when the still-unknown sky pirate leaped from a Northwest Airlines 727 with 10,000 \$20 bills and two parachutes on Thanksgiving Eve, 1971.

Nothing has been heard of Cooper; and nothing was seen of the money until an 8-year-old boy found about \$5,800 of it mixed in the sand along the Columbia River near Vancouver, Wash., February 10.

"It's been an interesting case and I have enjoyed the investiga-

tion because of the things that have happened," Himmelsbach said. "It altered my life because of all the attention I have received."

But, he added, "I think I'll walk away from it and it will never bother me."

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No money, no fish

Treasure hunters fail to find more Cooper loot

VANCOUVER, Wash. (AP) — When the fellas gather at Tena Bar, fish stories abound. Hardly anyone wants to talk about the D.B. Cooper money that got away.

Tena Bar isn't a local watering hole. It's a local fishing hole — and the sand bar on the Columbia River on which the D.B. Cooper loot was found recently.

For awhile, all sorts of people gathered at the bar to search for some of the \$200,000 ransom money taken by Cooper in the nation's first hijacking-for-profit nine years ago, after a boy found weathered packets of \$20 bills in the sand.

On Wednesday, however, the only evidence of last week's frantic search of the beach by FBI agents were mounds of sand turned up by the searchers.

"We haven't seen anybody," said Bill Holcomb, a Vancouver resident and frequenter of Tena Bar.

Holcomb was fishing there with Virgil Nichols and Ken Troupe, both of Vancouver. The trio made up the entire fishing population of Tena Bar on Wednesday.

"We drag junk out of this river every day. Plastic, old shoes, things like that," said Nichols. "But never any money."

"There may be money here, but there's no fish," Holcomb said.

A long trench on the beach dug for use by river experts studying the layers of sand has been refilled, as has the large hole around the spot where a 3-year-old Brian Ingram found the Cooper money. Cooper hijacked a Northwest Airlines plane in 1971 and jumped from the back of the jet with \$200,000.

The Fazio Brothers, who own the beach next to their farming opera-

tion, seem glad it's over.

"As soon as the FBI left Friday," said Richard Fazio, "Two people came, got stuck in the sand, and wanted me to pull them out. I did, and then I went up to close the gate."

Meanwhile, local FBI agents assigned to the case are awaiting the results of tests of the money by the bureau's crime lab in Washington, D.C., and checking all the leads that invariably crop up when anything to do with the Cooper case is publicized.

"Every time you have anything on the Cooper case that gets any publicity, the fallout is a great number of leads — look-a-like leads,

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The Daily News
Longview, Wa.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Portland (164-41)

February 25, 1980

From: Director, FBI

FBI FILE NO. 164-2111

LAB. NO. 00214031 D/S LL VJ

Re: NORJAK

Sub: G. M

Examination requested by: Portland

Reference: Airtel dated February 13, 1980

Examination requested: Document - Mineralogy - Fingerprint

Remarks:

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Portland (164-41)

February 25, 1980

FBI FILE NO. 164-2111

LAB. NO. 00214031 D/S LL VJ

Re: NORJAK

SUBS: G, M

Specimens received February 14, 1980

Q58 Unknown amount of U.S. currency in deteriorated condition

Q59 Soil from submitted U. S. currency

Result of examination:

The exact number of bills contained in the submitted currency could not be determined, because of the deteriorated condition of this currency.

Approximately 290 twenty dollar bills (\$5,800.00) are contained in the submitted currency.

The disposition of the submitted evidence and the results of the mineralogy and fingerprint examinations will be furnished separately.

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Oregonian
Portland, Ore.

Date: 2/13/80

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FBI agents wield rakes, shovels in 'treasure hunt'

Story on Page One also

By LESLIE L. ZAITZ
of The Oregonian staff

VANCOUVER, Wash. — Guernsey cattle and puzzled fishermen watched with curiosity Tuesday as 20 casually attired FBI agents combed the Columbia River shoreline near here, looking for more of a hijacker's treasure.

The agents, working with garden rakes and shovels, carefully sifted through the sand on what is known locally as Tena's Bar, a sloping beach about nine miles northwest of Vancouver. The beach is owned by New Columbia Gardens Co., which operates a truck and dairy farm behind the beach.

What attracted the searchers was the find Sunday afternoon of a dozen bundles of worn \$20 bills, part of the ransom paid more than eight years ago to the legendary "Dan Cooper." A man using that name hijacked a Northwest Airlines jetliner in November 1971 and parachuted out of the aircraft with 21 pounds of cash totaling \$200,000.

The bundles on the beach were found by 8-year-old Brian Ingram, who was helping his parents, Harold Dwayne and Patricia Ingram, build a fire for a picnic. The family, which moved to Vancouver recently from Oklahoma, had never heard of the man who was widely known at the time of his crime as D.B. Cooper.

Dorwyn Schreuder, the FBI agent supervising the beach search, said the Ingrams put the money aside after discovering it and continued with their picnic. They reported their discovery to the FBI on Monday.

The site, a popular fishing spot for Vancouver residents, was guarded by agents Monday night and the search started about noon Tuesday.

Agents roped off a section of beach measuring roughly 150 yards long and 30 yards wide. All driftwood was removed, and then began the laborious task of raking through sand at least 6 inches deep.

The Ingrams' find had been about 6 inches beneath the surface, Schreuder said. FBI agents Tuesday afternoon found fragments of at least two other \$20 bills. By late Tuesday, several more fragments had been found as deep as 31 feet below the surface.

"We'll be taking some heavy equipment, probably backhoes, in there Wednesday to dig deeper," said Bill Baker, assistant special agent in charge of the Portland FBI office.

Schreuder and other agents at the site said they still supported the long-held FBI theory that Cooper died in his parachuting attempt.

"He's probably not alive today," Schreuder said. "If he were, I think he'd be with his money."

The FBI initially was cautious about disclosing the precise location of the discovery. Operators of the farm said they knew something was unusual when several cars streamed along a road leading through the farmyard to the beach.

"We didn't know what it was about until we heard it on the radio," said one farm employee.

And three fishermen who routinely spend every day but Sundays fishing on the beach initially were confused and then angry.

"These guys wouldn't tell us what was going on," said Ken Davenport of Vancouver. "They asked us to move, but wouldn't tell us who they were or

why."

Another fisherman, Mike Haddican of Vancouver, said they knew something was up "because everybody was getting out of cars with shovels instead of fishing poles."

The Guernsey cows watched the beach show from their pens on a small bluff, scattering occasionally when helicopters chartered by news organizations flew overhead.

Within an hour after the FBI announced where the money had been found, private automobiles streamed down Northwest Lower River Road, a narrow two-lane road leading to the farm. A Clark County sheriff's deputy guarded the entrance, preventing the public from getting to the beach.

FBI agents were to remain on the scene overnight to keep out would-be treasure hunters.

The FBI said how much of the beach would be searched would be determined after the agency consulted with hydrologists and others who could provide expert advice about from where the money may have come.

Only half-joking, Schreuder said the agents "could search all the beach from here to Astoria."

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FBI calls off search for more hijack money

The FBI has, at least temporarily, called off its search along the Columbia River for more of the money obtained eight years ago by the airplane hijacker who used the name Dan Cooper.

Jack Pringle, assistant special agent in charge of the FBI's Seattle office, said, the search was called off late Thursday night after several days of sand-sifting produced no new evidence. The Seattle office has coordinated

search efforts in the Cooper caper, the only unresolved hijacking on record since it occurred in 1971.

Pringle said search efforts might be renewed next week, after the results of laboratory tests are received on the several thousand dollars in badly decayed \$20 bill fragments found by a picnicking family Sunday about nine miles downstream from Vancouver.

He said there was a chance the tests "could find additional debris that might give us an idea where (the money) may have been" before it washed onto the river bank.

A geologist serving as consultant to the FBI has said he believes the money had spent most of the past eight years underwater and was deposited on the sandy beach only within the past year.

The Northwest Airlines plane was hijacked between Portland and Seattle by a man who said he had a bomb. The hijacker obtained \$200,000 in \$20 bills when the plane landed in Seattle and then parachuted with the money over Southwest Washington.

The bills found Sunday represented the first trace of the hijacker or money since the Thanksgiving Eve hijack occurred.

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Finder of Cooper loot gets frayed \$20 bill

VANCOUVER, Wash. — Eight-year-old Brian Ingram, who found bundles of \$20 bills last week but had to turn them over to authorities, has been given one by the FBI.

The boy jumped into the national spotlight Feb. 10 when he discovered several thousand dollars of the \$200,000 ransom paid to skyjacker Dan Cooper in 1971. The money, frayed around the edges, was identified by FBI agents who have been looking for Cooper since he jumped from a Northwest Orient Airlines plane over Southwest Washington.

The \$20 was given to the boy by Mike Heywood, Hough Elementary School PTA president. Accompanying the bill was a certificate praising the boy for his find.

Since finding the money, Brian and his parents, H. Dwayne and Patricia, have been the subject of network television newscasts and newspaper articles. Saturday night, the three were satirized on the "Weekend Update" segment of the weekly television show "Saturday Night Live."

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paper, city and state.) p.B1Daily News
Longview, Wa.

Date: 2/14/80

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Geologist's finding contradicts theory

By Bud May
The Daily News

A thorough search of a Columbia River beach where part of D.B. Cooper's ransom money was found Sunday has turned up no new clues as to the fate of the legendary skyjacker.

The FBI said today that the search will continue today and Friday, then probably be suspended temporarily.

Brought to the beach to aid in Wednesday's search were a backhoe and a geologist.

The FBI said the backhoe was used to dig a trench near the discovery site, making possible a study of the layers to sand.

An associate professor of geology at Portland State University, Leonard Palmer, was retained to inspect the sand and to assist investigators in determining when the bundled money may have been deposited there.

Palmer, to the surprise of some authorities, concluded that the money was deposited on the beach in the past year or two because it was above clay deposits put on the beach in a 1974 channel dredging operation.

According to the FBI, a coarse layer of sand sloped from a height of about six inches at the river's edge to two feet or more some distance up the river bank.

Earlier, Ralph Himmelsbach, a Portland FBI agent who has had charge of following new leads in the Cooper case for a number of years, said he believed the money must have been deposited within a couple of years after the skyjacking.

He says discovery of the money provided a major break in the case, but puts authorities no closer to locating Cooper, whom Himmelsbach believes is dead.

Agents say the money was tied to Cooper when he bailed out of the plane, but was no longer with him when it was deposited on the beach.

If it had still been attached to his body at the bottom of the river when the channel was dredged in 1974, the body would have clogged up the dredge and have been found, agents believe.

Jack Pringle, assistant agent in charge of the Seattle FBI Office, told *The Daily News* this morning that small bits and pieces of \$20 bills were located Wednesday when agents continued digging in sand surrounding the spot where a Vancouver family discovered money Sunday.

The Harold Dwayne Ingram family was on an outing north and west of Vancouver when their 8-year-old son, Brian, uncovered several thousand dollars in decomposed bills.

Ingram contacted the Portland FBI Office, and a check of serial numbers conclusively established that the money was part of \$200,000 in \$20 bills Cooper had when he bailed out of a Northwest Orient Airlines jet over the Lewis River area on Nov. 24, 1971.

Pringle said the area was still being searched today, but no new evidence had been located as of this forenoon.

"Some of the area is inaccessible, and there's no way we can search the whole area," Pringle said in Seattle this morning.

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This catch wasn't the big one

*Fishing for D.B.**Cooper's loot*

By PAT MOSER

Columbian Staff Writer

WASHOUGAL — Bob Devaney watched the ducks peck away at something floating in the Washougal River near the Riverside Bowl.

It was March 22, 1977, and Devaney of 4221 F Circle, Washougal, was fishing for steelhead. The muddy runoff waters had cleared, and the river was in shape for catching the ocean-going trout.

"I watched the ducks nibbling away," Devaney said. "I waded out to see. That's when I saw the money. At first, I thought it was play money."

But Devaney picked up a bill and examined it. It was a real \$20 bill, and there were six others to be grabbed from atop the water.

Devaney's story became more

significant last week when part of the D.B. Cooper hijacking money was found washed up on a Columbia River beach nine miles downstream from Vancouver. One theory contends the money could have washed out of the Washougal River watershed during the nearly 8½ years since Cooper parachuted from an airliner over Southwest Washington.

A check with the Federal Bureau of Investigation list of serial numbers on the \$200,000 given Cooper didn't match those found by Devaney. Devaney still has his \$140 tucked away in cellophane bags.

The D.B. Cooper money find also brought significance to a green bank bag found by Jack Smith who lives up the Washougal River in Skamania County.

Smith was driving down the river

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'Cooper expert' to close out career

The finding of some of the "Dana Cooper" hijacking money Sunday came as a dramatic climax to the career of Sean Ralph Himmelsbach, the FBI's Cooper expert.

Himmelsbach, himself a veteran pilot, has lived, breathed and slept the Dan Cooper case ever since a man using that name hijacked a Northwest Airlines jet from Portland on Thanksgiving Eve, 1971.

Himmelsbach, who has logged thousands of hours of flying time in his own 1952 model single-engine Beechcraft Bonanza, was aloft in an Oregon Air

National Guard helicopter ready to intercept the hijacked plane within a few minutes after the airliner took off from Seattle, where Cooper obtained \$200,000 and four parachutes. But the air turbulence that night was so severe that the helicopter was ordered back to Portland Airbase.

Next morning Himmelsbach started the first of a series of flights which took him the length of the hijack route many times, between investigating other clues, all of which proved to be false.

"I was over the target area near Lake Merwin Sunday again," he said

Tuesday. "I saw they had logged a lot of prime search area, and thought something would turn up now."

But he never guessed the news that would confront him when he reported for work Monday.

"I'll admit to a certain sense of satisfaction," Himmelsbach said Tuesday, flashing a broad smile. "The case isn't solved, but this is certainly a major milestone."

Himmelsbach will retire March 1, after 27 years with the FBI — climaxed by his work on the Cooper case, one that will go down in FBI history.

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Bills 1st solid clue in hijack mystery

By LEVERETT RICHARDS
of The Oregonian staff

The weathered bundles of \$20 bills found on the Washington bank of the Columbia River nine miles northwest of Vancouver on Sunday were the first solid clues to the mystery of the "Dan Cooper" aircraft hijacking, FBI agents said Tuesday.

One of the more intensive searches in the FBI's history had failed to turn up any clue to the fate of the mysterious hijacker or his loot during the eight years since he bailed out of a Northwest Orient Airlines Boeing 727 flying at 7,000 feet over La Center, Wash., on Nov. 24, 1971, FBI spokesmen said.

Cooper's was the first hijacking of a commercial airliner for money, and started a chain of similar attempts, which was responsible in part for the rigid security system now enforced at all United States airports and most major airports abroad.

Because of an erroneous report of the name used by the hijacker, he became known nationally as D.B. Cooper, although the airline manifest showed he had used the name "Dan."

The man who called himself Cooper paid cash for a ticket and boarded Northwest's Flight 305 at Portland International Airport just before it departed. He sat in a rear seat in the cabin and waited until the plane was airborne. Then he handed stewardess Florence Schaffner a note saying he had a bomb in the satchel he was carrying and demanding \$200,000 in unmarked \$20 bills.

By the time the plane landed at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport at 5:45 p.m., airline officials were gathering the money and the four parachutes he had demanded. The hijacker released the 36 passengers on board, along with all crew members except one stewardess and two pilots. The plane then took off and headed south at 7,000 feet in stormy weather.

At 8:10 p.m. the pilots felt a fluctuation in cabin pressure which indicated the rear door had been opened. Later tests showed this was when the hijacker had bailed out, taking with him the money and the device that he claimed was a bomb.

Computer calculations and a later reconstruction of the flight persuaded the FBI that Cooper had bailed out near Woodland, Wash., and would have landed somewhere west of Lake Merwin.

William Rataczak, first officer (co-pilot) on the hijacked plane who flew the later reconstructions of the hijack flight, said the pilots received no answer when they called on the interphone to their passenger and were not certain he was gone until they landed in Reno, Nev., at 11 p.m.

The "target area" was searched repeatedly by the FBI, other law enforcement officers and soldiers from Fort Lewis, Wash., but no trace of man or money was found. Northwest Airlines offered a reward, since expired, and hunters and woodsmen continued the search for years without success.

Before Sunday, the only item that had been found from the hijacking was a placard believed to have blown off the bulkhead of the 727 when the door was opened in flight.

It was found 13 miles east of Castle Rock, Wash., in January 1979. The placard, if indeed it came from the hijacked plane, "helped to confirm that the plane was on course all the way, but didn't shed any light on what happened to Cooper," said FBI agent Ralph Himmelsbach, who headed the investigation.

After eight years of investigation, Himmelsbach has said he still believes Cooper could not have survived the parachute jump at 7 degrees below zero, dressed as he was in a light business suit and street shoes.

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Part of Cooper cash uncovered

By LEVERETT RICHARDS

of The Oregonian

"Several thousand dollars" of the \$200,000 obtained eight years ago by the celebrated airline hijacker who used the name Dan Cooper was found Sunday along the Columbia River downstream from Vancouver, Wash., the FBI reported Tuesday.

Three bundles containing 12 packets of weatherbeaten \$20 bills were found in river sand by a picnicking Vancouver family, about nine miles northwest of the city.

FBI agents searching the beach Tuesday afternoon found several more fragments of \$20 bills, some of them under three feet of sand.

Harold Dwayne Ingram, his wife, Patricia, and their son, Brian, 8, were preparing to build a fire on the beach when Brian brushed the sand aside and turned up some of the bills, Ingram said.

"We dug around and found three bundles of bills tied with rubber bands," Ingram said.

The bills were wet and badly worn, but the serial numbers were legible. The FBI identified the serial numbers and confirmed that they were part of the loot given Cooper when he hijacked a Northwest Orient Airlines Boeing 727 jetliner between Portland and Seattle on Nov. 24, 1971.

William M. Baker, assistant special agent in charge of the Portland FBI office, said the Ingrams were relatively new to the Vancouver area, moving there recently from Oklahoma. They had never heard of Cooper, Baker said.

"They took it (the money) home and were talking to some friends about it," Baker said. "The friends pointed out that it might be the money from the Cooper thing. That's when they called the FBI."

Ralph Himmelsbach, the FBI agent in charge of the case since the hijacking, said it was the first solid clue to the Cooper mystery since the hijacker bailed out near La Center, Wash., into a winter storm at 8:10 p.m. that Thanksgiving Eve. The first hijacking for money, the Cooper case became a national sensation.

Baker said it was possible the FBI laboratory in Washington, D.C., could discern fingerprints on the money.

"That would be a hell of a break," he said.

Baker said the money the Ingrams found had not been counted. At first the amount recovered was estimated at about \$4,000, but "we have revised our estimate to several thousand dollars," he said.

Baker said the money was bundled into packages of several sizes at the time of the hijacking, "to make it appear that it was randomly done, as if it was done in a hurry." Because of that, the actual amount could not be estimated, he said.

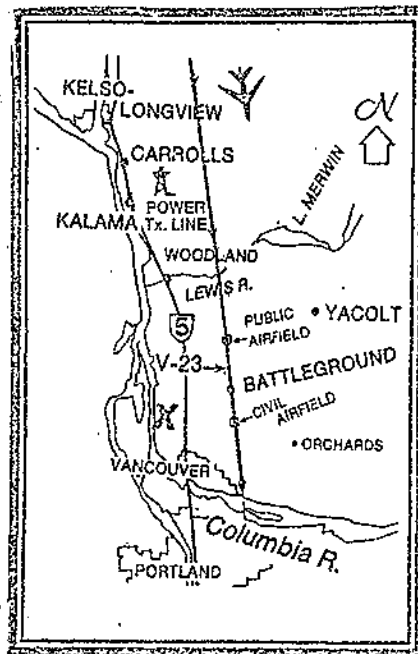
FBI agents Tuesday were carefully combing the site of the Sunday discovery for further clues. The beach, open to the public, is owned by the New Columbia Gardens Co., a truck and dairy farm.

Cooper was seen on the plane tying a nylon cord around his waist, presumably to tie the money into a parachute bag. The Ingrams said they did not see any sign of a cloth bag, but Himmelsbach said it would be hard to understand how the bundles of bills could have stayed together all these years if they were not in some kind of container.

Baker said the search for Cooper's remains or other clues would be resumed in a new area.

FBI spokesmen concluded that the bills could have been washed down some tributary of the Columbia.

George Holmes, a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers hydrologist, said he would review information about where Cooper



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Dan Cooper bill not given to boy

Brian Ingram, the 8-year-old Vancouver, Wash., boy who discovered some of the Dan Cooper skyjacking ransom last week, was not given one of the deteriorated bills, as was reported Tuesday in some editions of The Oregonian.

The boy actually was given a \$20 bill made to look like one of the tattered bills, in addition to a certificate praising him for his find. Both items came from the Hough Elementary School PTA.

Meanwhile in Washington, D.C., FBI laboratory technicians have been unable to determine how much money was in the three bundles of Cooper's recovered as a result of young Ingram's find.

"The \$20 bills were so badly deteriorated that we have been unable to count it," said FBI spokesman Otis Cox. He said no fingerprints were found on the bills.

The bills were identified as part of Cooper's \$200,000 by their serial numbers.

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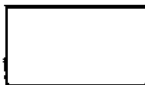
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Re: D. B. Cooper

Dear Mr. Baker:

We have become aware that some of the money given to D. B. Cooper has been recovered. This letter is to advise you that our client, Globe Indemnity Company, reimbursed Northwest Airlines for the money which was given to D. B. Cooper. It is our opinion, based on the terms of the contract pursuant to which such indemnification was made, that Globe Indemnity is entitled to receive any recovery made until the full amount of indemnification has been repaid.

We would appreciate being kept advised of what recovery is or has been made.

Very truly yours,

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The Loot Reveals New Clues to the Fate of D.B.

By John O'Ryan

VANCOUVER, Wash. — Eight FBI agents digging on a Columbia River beach in a snowstorm found no more of D.B. Cooper's hijack ransom yesterday, but they revealed new clues to the fate of the legendary parachutist.

Special agent Ken Moore of Seattle, in charge of the digging, said a geologist's report indicates that the money which has been found drifted up on this beach within the past two years.

Furthermore, Moore said as he warmed himself by a campfire during

a respite from the frigid digging, the money came downstream, and probably reached the Columbia from the Washougal River, or one of several smaller streams which enter the big river above here.

It isn't likely, he said, that the money came upstream, with tidal currents, from the Lewis River — which drains Lake Merwin, where Cooper has long been thought to have perished.

Moore thought for a few moments, then said:

"Tourists who want to look for more Cooper money probably should

look on the Washougal River."

All of which indicates that Cooper, with \$200,000 in a canvas suitcase strapped to his body, jumped from a Northwest Airlines Boeing 727 a little southeast of the point originally estimated by the FBI.

He apparently landed southeast of Lake Merwin which is just off I-5 near Woodland, in the drainage of the Washougal River, or nearby streams, in hilly, wooded country.

"There is nothing infallible about our original estimate of where he landed," said John Pringle, assistant special agent in charge of the Seattle

office.

"Because of strong wind currents, and other variables, we could have been a little off in our original estimates."

According to Pringle, only one money bundle from the \$200,000 hijack ransom was found on this beach nine miles downstream from the bridge over the Columbia River at Vancouver.

But since Cooper had all of his money in one canvas container, according to Moore, if any of the money is scattered — all of it is likely to be scattered.

Cooper, whose real identity has never been learned, literally dropped out of sight the night he plunged from the airliner. He had collected his hijack loot in Seattle — bundles of money wrapped in a package six inches high, one foot across, and about 18 inches long — later stuffed into a bag tied to his waist.

No trace was found of Cooper or his money until a family picnicking on this north bank of the Columbia, on property owned by the Fazio Brothers Sand Co. and dairy cow farm, found tattered bills three to six inches deep in the sand.

It was "Seattle day" at the FBI diggings on the Columbia River yesterday. The previous day, 10 FBI agents from the Portland bureau carried out the digging.

Yesterday, eight agents from the

Seattle bureau were hard at work. The beach is roped off, and a Clark County sheriff's car was parked at the entrance to the Fazio property to keep the public out.

Sand was piled around the original money discovery area, because the FBI had been using a backhoe to excavate there. Agents were working yesterday with shovels and rakes.

Moore said a Portland State University Geologist is the one who determined that the money had floated onto the beach within the last two years.

This, Moore said, was based on a determination that there is only about six to eight inches of sand on this beach, and beneath it is a clay that was placed here by a channel dredging project carried out in 1974.

The clay, he said, appears "undisturbed," but the sand contains soft-drink containers and other debris

from picnickers. It appears to be of recent origin, and the money was found only about three to six inches deep in it.

Moore said the Army Corps of Engineers had scuttled the theory that the money had drifted upstream with tidal currents from the mouth of the Lewis River, which enters the Columbia downstream from here.

"I talked to the engineers, and they said that it is most unlikely that anything drifted upstream against the current," Moore said.

If no more money is found, the FBI's digging on the beach will end today, Moore said.

But he expressed the belief that the departure of the FBI will not end the sifting through this strip of sand.

"After we leave, probably 2,500 people will digging here the next day," he said.

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FBI agents digging in search of more clues

By Bud May
The Daily News

PORTLAND — An 8-year-old boy accomplished with a sweep of his hand Sunday something the FBI has been trying to do for more than eight years.

Brian Ingram, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Dwayne Ingram of Vancouver, provided the first major breakthrough in the D.B. Cooper skyjacking case when he accidentally uncovered part of the \$200,000 ransom Cooper had when he bailed out of a Northwest Airlines jet in the Lewis River area on Thanksgiving Eve, Nov. 24, 1971.

The FBI said Tuesday the discovery of more than \$3,000 in badly deteriorated \$20 bills was made Sunday while the Ingram family was on an outing on a Columbia River beach about five miles northwest of Vancouver on the Washington side.

Meantime, the FBI is conducting an intensive grid search of the beach area where the money was found. Agents reported finding bits and pieces of money Tuesday afternoon, some of it as deep as three feet in sand.

However, the pieces were so small it was not possible to determine the amount of money.

A U.S. Army Corps of Engineers hydrologist, George Holmes, said he would review information about where the hijacker jumped in relation to where the money was found.

He said the Washougal River was the only Columbia tributary that might have carried the cash, and even that is a remote possibility.

Not everyone shares that opinion.

Some experts feel that because of the Columbia's currents, the money could have come from the Lewis River and washed upstream.

The FBI has also contacted the Army Engineers, which continuously dredges sand in that area, on the chance that dredging brought the money up from the bottom of the river. A spokesman for the Army Engineers said today that it is a definite possibility. While they constantly dredge in that area, the last time they deposited the dredged sand on that beach was in October 1974.

Agents said the money, in bundles, without question is part of that given the man known as Cooper.

"The packaging and numbered sequence indicate the bills have not been separated and are in much the same order as when given to the hijacker," explained Bill Baker, assistant agent in charge at the Portland office.

Baker could not say whether the Ingram family will get a reward, since the FBI can not offer one, but he indicated there is a good possibility that the airline or another source would provide one.

The elder Ingram and his wife, Patricia, told dozens of news media people at a press conference in the Portland FBI Office Tuesday how

the money was found.

"I was about to build a fire on the beach," said Ingram, "and had my arms full, but before I could set it down, my son said, 'Wait a minute daddy.' He scooped off some sand, and this money rolled to the top."

A UPI reporter who talked with the family Tuesday said Brian and his 5-year-old cousin, Denise Ingram, shouted, "Look! It's money that we found!"

The Ingrams said they didn't connect the money to the Cooper case at the time, but realized it must be important to someone, so they notified the Portland FBI Office of the find.

Asked by a reporter why he contacted the FBI instead of local authorities, Ingram responded, "Because I figured if I turned it over to police, I would never see it again."

He didn't elaborate on that remark, but continued to answer questions from newspaper, television and radio reporters.

Asked if he considered keeping the money, Ingram laughingly replied, "No, it looked in such bad shape I didn't think I could spend it."

Ingram said the money, which was displayed for reporters on a table at the press conference, was about 20 yards from the edge of the river, but was very wet.

Because of the poor condition of the bills, the exact amount of recovered money is unknown, pending laboratory examination, the FBI said.

While FBI agents seem ecstatic about the discovery, they are quick to point out that approximately \$197,000 is still missing, and what happened to Cooper himself is just as much a mystery as before the find.

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Cooper in lake, ex-agent says

By Bud May
The Daily News

The body of skyjacker D.B. Cooper lies on the bottom of Lake Merwin, most likely hung up on a snag.

Retired FBI Agent Tom Manning of Longview has held that theory for several years, and still does.

The fact that some of the ransom money Cooper got from Northwest Airlines was found Sunday on a Columbia River beach north and west of Vancouver has not changed his conviction in the least.

Manning, now manager of the Longview Chamber of Commerce, had charge of the massive searches conducted in the Lewis River area after the infamous skyjacking of a Northwest Airlines jet on Thanksgiving Eve in 1971.

Because he worked so long on a case that has never been solved, the former resident agent has taken a lot of ribbing from friends and acquaintances.

"Some still call me D.B. Cooper," he said with a chuckle Tuesday night.

Manning never believed the skyjacker survived the jump with \$200,000 in ransom money, and was among the first to say so.

"I said several years ago that I think he may be hung up on a snag at the bottom of Lake Merwin, and I still think so," Manning said after learning Tuesday that some of the ransom money had been found.

Manning said the fact that the money was found upstream, rather than downstream from the mouth of the Lewis River, doesn't disprove his theory.

He said it could have been moved upstream by tides and currents.

George Holmes, a hydrologist for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, says that would not have been impossible, but he considers it unlikely that currents would have moved the cash that far upstream.

"However," Holmes, emphasized, "I'm not taking issue in any way with the theory of where the hijacker may have come down after leaving the plane, or where the rest of the money might be."

Manning recalls vividly the inten-

sive search conducted east of Woodland in the Lewis River area.

He says Charles Farrell of Seattle was the FBI agent in charge of the case, while Manning coordinated the searches. Other agents from the Seattle and Portland FBI offices were also involved. In addition, about 200 soldiers from Fort Lewis were used in an inch by inch grid search conducted in March of 1972 after the winter snows melted.

Despite the fact that no trace of Cooper was found, Manning and other agents remained convinced he had jumped somewhere in the Lewis River-Lake Merwin area, where crewmen of the Boeing 727 noted a fluctuation in the cabin rate of pressure indicator about 8:10 p.m.

Minutes earlier lights came on in the cockpit indicating the rear airstair of the aircraft had been lowered.

"Using the same aircraft, we made some tests three days after the hijacking, and the results gave credence to the theory that he jumped in the area the crew told us about," Manning said.

Manning was aboard the plane, flown by the chief pilot of the airline, when it was taken over the Pacific Ocean off the Hoquiam bombing range for the tests. Also present was the same flight engineer who was on duty the night of the incident.

"We took along some wooden sleds with sandbags to approximate the weight of Cooper, the parachutes given him and the ransom money, and dropped them from the plane when the flying conditions were the same as they were at the time he bailed out," Manning recalled.

The airstair was lowered, and the sleds dropped.

"The engineer said the plane reacted the same as it had before when the weight was released," Manning said Tuesday.

According to Manning, the FBI and the airline were convinced then that the man calling himself D.B. Cooper bailed out of the jet in the Lewis River area, and nothing has happened to shake that belief.

Where he landed has never been determined, but Manning still thinks Lake Merwin is a good bet

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Beach residents groan

By Donna duBeth
The Daily News

The handful of residents who live along the beach where part of D.B. Cooper's loot was found Sunday are kicking themselves for not building more sand castles.

They also wonder whether they should have paid more attention to the sand dredging operations along the beach.

Tina Bar is a stretch of sandy beach on the Washington side of the Columbia River northwest of Vancouver. The lonely country road that winds along the beach, Lower River Road, dead-ends about three miles from where a Vancouver family found about \$3,000 beneath the sand Sunday while on a picnic. Rabbits bounce on the side of the road at night, startled by occasional passing cars.

Less than 10 houses are along the 12-mile stretch of beach road. Most of the land belongs to large dairy farms. The Fazio Bros. Sand Co. also fronts the river. A road leading through the Fazio gate is a popular path to the beach. It is the same path used by the family the day they found the money. On the east side of Fazio Bros. is Leeward Isle Marina, with a public fishing boat launch and one or two house boats.

During fishing season, the beach is packed from end to end, say local residents Clarence and Barbara Ellis. They have lived in their mobile home just down the road from Fazio Bros. for the past 30 years.

Every day Clarence takes his outboard skiff along Tina Bar patrolling the river and the beach for renegade logs that could damage other boats.

Ellis says that the Army Corps of Engineers continuously dredges sand directly off the shore from where the money was found.

"I betcha that dredging brought that money up and

most of it's been destroyed by the dredging," he said. "Even the FBI is going to be able to figure that one out."

Today a spokesman for the Army Engineers said they were working closely with the FBI, checking out that lead. The sand sucked up from the bottom of the river and spewed onto the beach could have contained some or all of the long-sought money. While the dredging is continuous, the last time sand was deposited in that spot was in October 1974.

Another resident of the area said that the money was found too far from the water to have washed up. "It had to be the dredging. Maybe I'll go get me a shovel," said Mrs. J.W. Freeman.

The FBI dug all day Tuesday, finding bits and pieces of \$20 bills. An agent guarding the site Tuesday evening said the amount they found during the day was less than the \$3,000 originally dug up.

Tuesday night the Ellis family sat in their home decorated with fishing gear and large plants, amazed that some the D.B. Cooper money was showing up on the same beach their children grew up on.

"To think I worked like a slave all my life and here this money was right in my front yard," said Ellis. "When I think of the times my kids took the four-wheel drive right over that spot. I mean that's our beach. It belongs to the people we lease from and that's the beach we use."

His wife, Barbara, said she felt "kinda sick" not finding it. But she added that she would have turned it in. "Somebody could have lost it," she said.

The beach property actually belongs to the Hans Egger family of Vancouver. A baby sitter at the home said the Eggers were on vacation in California. They learned the money had been found on their property when they listened to a television newscast Tuesday night.

"They were shocked," said the baby sitter.

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How it all started

On Nov. 24, 1971, a calm, middle-age man calling himself Dan Cooper bought a ticket for a Northwest Airlines flight to Seattle.

Shortly after takeoff, he handed a note to stewardess Florence Schaffner.

Thinking the man was trying to "hustle" her, she stuffed the note in her purse, but he motioned for her to read it.

The note said he had a bomb, and wanted to go to Mexico.

While the jet circled Seattle before landing, the skyjacker also ordered that \$200,000 cash and four parachutes be brought to the plane.

The airline agreed, 36 passengers and part of the crew were allowed to leave, and the plane took off with the man and his ransom.

As it flew south, the rear airstair was lowered, and minutes later the plane reacted in a manner that convinced the crew that the skyjacker had bailed out somewhere in the Lewis River-Lake Merwin area east of Woodland.

Thus began the legend of D.B. Cooper (the name Dan Cooper somehow got lost in news media accounts of the incident.)

Cooper has never been found, but interest in the case is still strong, and flared Tuesday when the FBI announced a Vancouver family had found several thousand dollars of the ransom money on a Columbia River beach northwest of Vancouver.

Several stories about the case appear in today's issue of *The Daily News*.

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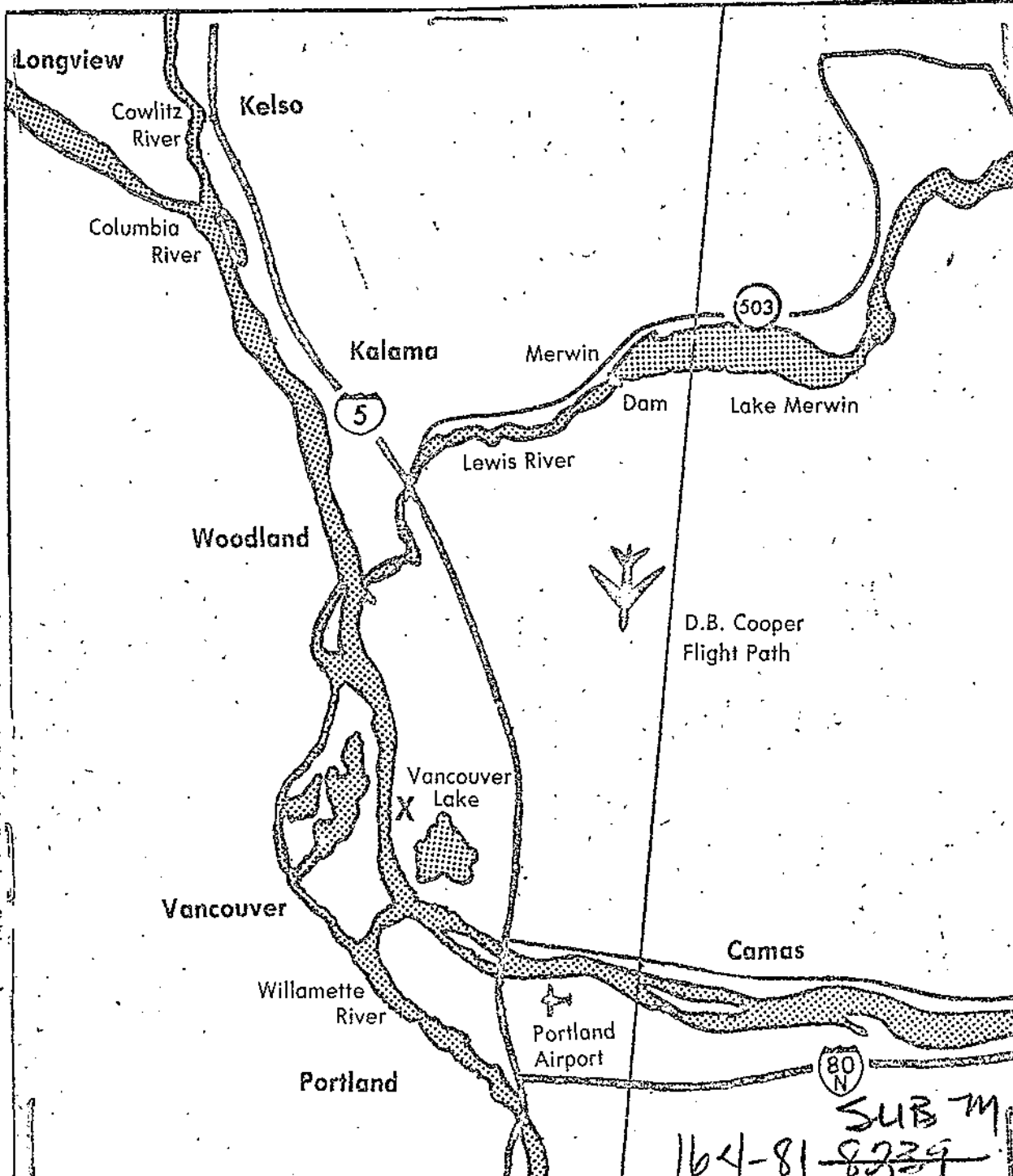
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FBI Halts Search For Cooper Clues & Loot

FBI agents yesterday called off their search on a sandy beach of the Columbia River west of Vancouver for more evidence of D.B. Cooper and the \$200,000 he carried when he parachuted from a skyjacked airliner in November 1971.

"When the agents get back here next week, we'll discuss what direction to take next," said Jack Pringle, an FBI agent in Seattle.

One partly decomposed bundle of marked \$20 bills from the Cooper loot was found Sunday by a family picnicking beside the river nine miles below Vancouver.

It probably will be at least a week before the FBI laboratory in Washington, D.C., will report on how much money was found, said Bill Williams, of the FBI office in Portland, Ore., whose agents dug and sifted the sand earlier this week.

Cooper is believed to have parachuted over Lake Merwin in Cowlitz County. No trace of him or the money

is known to have been found until the discovery Sunday.

Williams said yesterday that Leonard Palmer, a geologist at Portland State University, concluded that the money drifted onto the river bank sometime after August 1974. The money lay in sand on top of spoil from a dredging operation that was conducted that month, Palmer told the FBI.

Pringle said that sooner or later the recovered money will be returned to its owner.

"We don't know who that is and it's not up to us to determine," he said. "It might be that a court will have to decide."

The \$200,000 was delivered to Cooper aboard a Northwest Airline plane in Seattle after he skyjacked it.

Brent Baskfield, a Northwest public relations officer in St. Paul, Minn., said Northwest paid the money but has been reimbursed for most of it by The Globe Insurance Co. in New York City.

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Pickings are slim in Cooper treasure hunt

by Richard Zahler
and Steve Johnston
Times staff reporters

Federal Bureau of Investigation treasure hunters returned to a cold and sandy Columbia River beach downstream from Vancouver, Wash., today seeking more clues to the eight-year-old D.B. Cooper skyjacking mystery.

The F.B.I. mixed a little science and technology with a lot of old-fashioned elbow grease yesterday in continued digging at the beach. Agents continued to find scraps of \$20 bills in the area where a picnicking Vancouver family found three bundles of money Sunday.

Through serial numbers, those decomposed bundles of bills have been identified as "several thousand dollars" of the \$200,000 given to the man who hijacked a Northwest Orient Airlines 727 in November, 1971, then parachuted from the jet with his loot. The F.B.I. believes he jumped somewhere in the vicinity of LaCenter, about 25 miles northeast of the beach where the money was found.

Yesterday's search, aided by a backhoe and advice from a Portland State University geologist, provided no clues how the money got to the beach or where it has been since the hijacking.

F.B.I. agents said the money still was packaged in the same order as it was given to the hijacker. The geologist said the money probably had been there for less than two years.

Kenneth Moore, a Seattle F.B.I. agent assigned to the case, said, "One reason for conducting an exhaustive search of this area would be to find other indications of what happened — pieces of clothing, pieces of bag, pieces of parachute or human remains, which in this case would be only bones."

The beach area is 7½ miles northwest of Vancouver on a stretch of shoreline used heavily by fishermen and lined with industrial plants and farms.

Moore and other agents said it would be just speculation to suggest that Cooper might have come down near the Columbia River beach, or that the search site might give any clue besides additional pieces of money. The round shape of the wads of money suggested that the cash could have tumbled along the river bed, agents said.

The farmers who own the shoreland, Al and Richard Fazio, said the place where the money was found is periodically underwater during high river runoff, like last week.

Moore said the currency might have been pumped on the beach during the dredging, but that was doubted by Dr. Leonard Palmer, Portland State geologist.

Palmer said the scraps of money had been found in looser sand, not in dredging spoils. The river last was dredged there in 1974.

Moore said the meager evidence suggests the hijacker "may have landed in the water, although not necessarily the Columbia."

Speculation that Cooper could have dropped into Lake Merwin, a reservoir on the Lewis River, was replaced this week by speculation he could have landed in the Washougal River watershed. The Lewis River enters downstream from the search area, the Washougal upstream from Vancouver.

But Moore said there were no plans to search upriver "unless evidence leads us to a more specific area."

Small pieces of currency were found yesterday in scattered places as they combed through sand several hundred feet downstream from Sunday's discovery site.

Other fragments showed up as agents shoveled sand through wire screens around the main site. The largest piece discovered yesterday was about the size of a stick of chewing gum. It was several layers thick.

Moore said the new fragments may once have been part of the destroyed bundles discovered Sunday.

Although there were several rewards offered for the discovery of the money or the arrest of D.B. Cooper, federal agents said it looked as if the Harold Ingram family is out of luck. Ingram's son, Brian, 8, uncovered the money.

"As far as I know, all reward offers have been canceled," a Portland F.B.I. agent, Bill Williams, said.

Roy Erickson, a spokesman for Northwest Orient in St. Louis, said the airline had settled with its insurance company, Globe of New York, several years ago and received \$180,000.

"Our loss was covered by our insurance and so we are out of the situation now," he said.

Ralph Himmelsbach, a Portland F.B.I. agent who has worked on the D.B. Cooper case since 1971, said the finding of the money gave him "a certain sense of satisfaction," the Associated Press reported.

"The case isn't solved," Himmelsbach said, "but this is certainly a major milestone."

"So we know at least that he (Cooper) never spent this money, and we know that none of the money he was given has ever turned up in circulation."

Himmelsbach said Cooper's skeleton probably never will be found if it is in the forested mountain area where he is supposed to have landed.

"Unlike the money, Cooper is biodegradable," Himmelsbach said.

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FBI: Cooper likely dead man

By KERRY WEBSTER
TNT Staff Writer

It's more likely than ever that the legendary D. B. Cooper is just a grinning skeleton in a nylon shroud, say FBI agents raking the sand for the last of his mouldering stash.

"The discovery of the money adds credence to the theory that he probably did not survive the jump," said Bill Williams, a special agent in Portland.

On the north bank of the Columbia River today, more than 30 FBI agents worked behind a cordon of armed sheriff's deputies, spading over every square foot of sand along 150 feet of shoreline.

The site is where eight-year-old Brian Ingram of Vancouver, digging idly in the sand with a stick on Sunday, turned up a sodden wad of \$20 bills.

Serial numbers on the money — 12 stacks of twenties, still in their bank wrappings — matched some of those given to "Dan Cooper" when he hijacked Northwest Airlines Flight 305 on Thanksgiving Eve, 1971.

Flourishing what looked like a stick of dynamite, "Cooper" ordered the plane to fly from Seattle-Tacoma International Airport to Reno, Nev., after first demanding \$200,000 and four parachutes.

The Boeing 727's flight recorder indicated that he jumped from the plane's lowered rear stairwell somewhere near Ariel, a tiny logging town in Southwest Washington.

No trace of Cooper or the hijacking loot had shown up in the past nine years. The mysterious air pirate in that time has become a cult figure, with sweatshirts, bumperstickers and endless pulp-magazine stories dedicated to the exploit.

FBI agents, who have been the butt of D. B. Cooper jokes for nine years, did not conceal a certain grim satisfaction when they announced the finding of the money in Seattle and Portland press conferences yesterday.

The fact that the money appears to have washed up on the riverbank, rather than having been purposely buried there, increases the chances that Cooper is dead.

"There is no way we can tell if he is dead or alive," said John Pringle, assistant agent in charge of the Seattle office. "We only know that if he is alive, he doesn't have this money."

The site of the find is about nine miles downriver from the Interstate 5 bridge over the Columbia between Portland and Vancouver. Young Ingram made the discovery while picnicking with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Dwayne Ingram.

The elder Ingram told reporters yesterday he was preparing to build a fire when his son "ran up and said, 'Wait a minute, Daddy.' He raked a place out in the sand, and there it was."

Ingram told The Associated Press he didn't even consider spending the money, because it looked so badly deteriorated.

The decomposed money was being sent today to the FBI crime lab in Washington, D.C., for examination. Pringle said there is a possibility that mud and soil deposited in the bundles may give a clue as to where they were washed from.

"We're going to be doing some study of tide tables and flood records, also," added Portland agent Williams today. "That'll tell us whether examining any of the

Columbia's tributaries would be useful."

The Washougal River flows into the Columbia below the money site, and its origins are deep in the woods over which Cooper is believed to have jumped.

However, Williams noted, the Columbia is frequently dredged and often floods where the money was found, so the situation could be very confused.

Pringle said Cooper jumped with the money tied around his waist, and he said he believed "it was in a bag which would have deteriorated over this length of time."

He said a major objective of the search going on now is to find some other object that is connected to Cooper.

"We could find bones, or a piece of parachute," he said. "Nylon does not deteriorate rapidly."

Agents using spades and rakes have discovered a few more pieces of \$20 bills, about the size of nickels and dimes, according to the FBI. The new discoveries were made within a three-foot radius of the original finding.

"We are planning to bring in some heavy equipment tomorrow to speed things up," Williams said. "The problem when you dig up a spadeful of sand is, what do you do with the sand?"

In Ariel, meanwhile, tavern owner Dave Fisher said the little town will go on with plans for its annual "D. B. Cooper party" at his Ariel Store & Tavern this Nov. 24.

"You know, if they find the body," he said, "we've got some sort of a memorial service."

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More D.B. Cooper cash sought

by Richard Zahler
and Steve Johnston

Times staff reporters

VANCOUVER, Wash. — The Federal Bureau of Investigation brought a backhoe and experts in soil, archeology and river currents to a sandy Columbia River beach west of here today to seek more clues into the 8-year-old D.B. Cooper hijacking mystery.

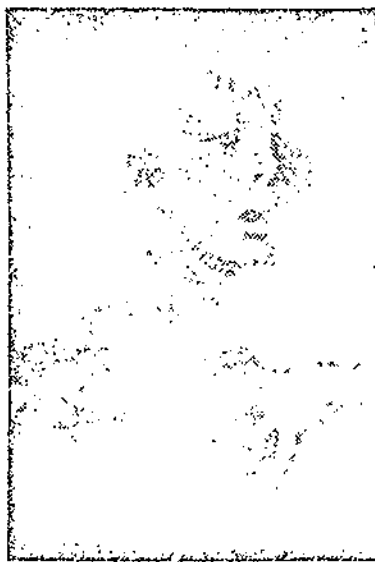
An 8-year-old boy Sunday uncovered on the beach a small part of the \$200,000 the legendary hijacker had strapped to his body when he parachuted from a Northwest Orient Airlines 727 over Southwestern Washington November 24, 1971.

F.B.I. agents yesterday found more fragments of \$20 bills while digging at the beach. Paul Hudson, the F.B.I.'s on-site coordinator, said the fragments — the size of nickels and quarters — were found as much as 5 feet away from where the money was found Sunday. Some fragments were 3 feet under the surface.

Hudson said the bureau is trying to determine possible ways the money reached the beach. The river recently covered the beach, he said.

Hudson also noted that the Columbia River channel is dredged periodically and sand from the river bottom is pumped on the shore.

"It's possible that it washed up here a period of time ago . . . not 9 years ago but not necessarily recently," Hudson said.



Brian Ingram

Got scoop on skyjacker

Discovery of the money "probably raises as many questions as it does answers," Hudson said. "In my own mind I can rule out the possibility that (the money) was buried here."

Hudson said whether searchers might find Cooper's remains in the area is "one of the questions we hope to answer today."

The beach is about nine miles west of Vancouver, adjacent to a dairy farm and a popular spot for steelhead fishing. Today a Clark County deputy sheriff was at the

farm gate, turning away fishermen and the curious.

One longtime fisherman, Sidney Tipper, 80, of Vancouver, was admitted to fish. Tipper said, "I've been going up and down this river for 10 years. The money wasn't very deep. If it had been here (a long time) I think we'd have seen it."

The F.B.I. said yesterday it presumes the money had been washed downstream, possibly from a tributary to the Columbia. An Army Engineers hydrologist said that the Washougal River was the only tributary that might have carried the money. The Washougal is the first Washington tributary upstream from Vancouver.

William M. Baker, assistant special agent for the Portland F.B.I. office, said he expected searches would be carried out along the Columbia to the mouth of the Washougal and possibly up the Washougal.

The money recovered Sunday, in three bundles of decomposing \$20 bills, was discovered by Brian Ingram, 8, of Vancouver. The boy

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Phones 'ringing off the hook' at Ariel

by Richard Zahler
Times staff reporter

ARIEL, Cowlitz County — Not much happens in Ariel, a small logging community 11 miles east of Woodland.

Until a hijacker vanished mysteriously over Southwest Washington more than eight years ago, probably nothing happened in Ariel.

But D.B. Cooper put the town on the map, and yesterday and last night the telephones at the Ariel Store & Tavern were "ringing off the hook" said Dave Fisher, the owner.

Ariel happens to be near Lake Merwin, and a number of theorists suggested that Cooper might have gone into the reservoir behind the Ariel dam.

Since 1976 the Ariel Tavern has hosted an annual D.B. Cooper party on November 24, the anniversary of the hijacking in 1971. Every year 200 to 300 people have shown up to eat buffalo stew and see whether Cooper would answer the standing invitation to join the party.

He never has, of course.

Fisher bought the tavern and the tradition 15 months ago, and until 3:30 yesterday afternoon, "I wasn't expecting a thing tonight. It's pretty dead in winter."

But then the Federal Bureau of Investigation announced in Seattle and Portland that part of \$200,000 given to the hijacker had been found along the banks of the Columbia River near Vancouver.

The moldering money, about \$4,000, was found by a family picnicking along the river north of Portland. A young boy digging in the sandy riverbanks with a stick uncovered the loot.

After that, Fisher said, "It was just like the D.B. Cooper party."

Fisher said he had been on the run answering telephone calls from television-network reporters in New York and newspapers and radio stations all over the West Coast.

Only about 20 or 30 patrons were in the Ariel Tavern last night, and most were paying as much attention to playing pool as to the Cooper talk. A weekly Tuesday-night pool match with the Riverside Tavern in Woodland had been moved to Ariel last night at the request of a Portland television station interested in filming reaction to the discovery of the money.

Fisher and others said they were mystified as to how the money arrived on the banks of the Columbia River, but they still would have to be persuaded that the hijacker didn't survive after he bailed out of the Boeing 727.

"I still think he's alive, until they find some bones," Fisher said.

He said the finding could lead to other developments, pointing out that the discovery by the boy was a strange first trace of Cooper after so many years.

Then the telephone rang in the next room, Fisher raced to answer it, laughed and announced, "San Jose calling."

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Finally, a fact is added to Cooper saga

by Steve Johnston
Times staff reporter

Passengers on Flight 305 remembered the man as a quiet-spoken sort wearing a dark brown suit. He took the last seat on the right-hand side of the Northwest Orient Airline's flight out of Portland heading for Seattle.

The only thing unusual about the man was that he wore sun glasses, unusual because it was a rainy day on November 24, 1971, a day before Thanksgiving.

The man checked aboard the Boeing 727 under the name of "Dan Cooper" in Portland, the last leg of the flight that had started in Washington, D.C.

By the time the plane finally set down in Reno several hours later, the man who became known as "D.B. Cooper" was gone, along with \$200,000 in \$20 bills, two parachutes and a briefcase which Cooper told the stewardess contained a bomb.

Somewhere in Southwest Washington, D.B. Cooper had bailed out at 10,000 feet into dark storm clouds and into history. He would remain to this day the only hijacker in the United States ever to escape arrest.

Over the last seven years, the F.B.I. has questioned more than 1,000 possible suspects, chased down thousands of leads and heard from hundreds of people who claim either to be Cooper or to know his whereabouts.

But it took an 8-year-old Vancouver, Wash., boy to uncover the only piece of concrete evidence that Cooper really did bail out into the dense forest of Southwest Washington.

Until Brian Ingram dug up 12 packets of \$20 bills while on a picnic with his family along the Columbia River, law-enforcement officers only assumed D.B. Cooper jumped over Southwest Washington. The plane's recorder showed a "low pressure bump" at 8:11 p.m. near Woodland, and when the plane landed in Reno, the hijacker couldn't be found.

Hundreds of searchers spread out over the area around Woodland, hoping either to find the body or the money or just a piece of the parachute dangling from a tree. Most parachute experts consulted at the time agreed it would be almost impossible for Cooper to survive the plunge.

But within days of the hijacking, the legend of D.B. Cooper

started to build. People started to talk about him as a modern-day Robin Hood. They admired the daring, the planning and the execution of the jump.

Slowly but surely, the reports of encounters with Cooper started to come out. A man in Woodland said someone knocked at his back door on November 24 about the time Cooper would have landed, but he didn't answer. Other people started turning in friends who looked like Cooper, in hopes of collecting the \$25,000 reward.

Then the stories started to appear. The now defunct Seattle Flag ran several pages of purported interview with Cooper, and two

Kitsap County men were arrested for selling a fake interview with Cooper to a former contributing editor of Newsweek for \$30,000.

Five months ago, two Tacoma men said they had talked with D.B. Cooper, who, they said, was living in Puyallup. The man told them that the money was buried under a pile of garbage at the Puyallup dump.

Mostly, however, people just have had fun with the D.B. Cooper story. T-shirts with the picture of D.B. Cooper in his sunglasses and bearing the legend, "D.B. Cooper, Where Are You?" became popular, and there even was a song written about him.

The residents of Ariel, Cowlitz County, near where Cooper supposedly bailed out, started holding an annual "D.B. Cooper Day" to commemorate the event. The festival, called the "Cooper Caper," featured buffalo stew and sky divers and attracted more than 800 people. But not, apparently, D.B. Cooper.

As for the two Federal Bureau of Investigation agents who have been on the case since it began, they say they believe D.B. Cooper probably died the night he went

out the plane.

"It is my personal opinion that he is dead," said Joseph O'Connell, who has retired. "He jumped out of a plane at 10,000 feet on a cold, raw night and he jumped in an area densely populated with Douglas fir and ponderosa pine."

Ralph Himmelsbach, Portland F.B.I. agent who is to retire February 29, said he was "delighted" about the money being found. He said the find reduced the chances of Cooper ever being found alive to "less than 50-50."

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More Of D.B.'s Ransom Found

By Neil Modie

FBI agents yesterday found bits of more \$20 bills buried in the sand beside the Columbia River near Vancouver, Wash., and said it was more of the \$200,000 ransom collected in 1971 by airline hijacker D.B. Cooper.

Agents speculated earlier in the day that the muck and sand the money was buried in may have been dredge material. But they discounted that theory after a geologist examined the site, about 10 miles northwest of Vancouver.

"His (the geologist's) feeling is that the probabilities are that the material was washed ashore rather than (being in) dredged sand," FBI - Agent Ralph Himmelsbach of Portland told The Post-Intelligencer last night.

Children on a family outing on Sunday found the first half - decomposed packets of \$20 bills with which Cooper had parachuted from a Northwest Orient jetliner on Thanksgiving Eve, Nov. 24, 1971.

The total was between \$1,000 and \$4,000, Himmelsbach said, and serial numbers checked matched numbers on the marked bills given Cooper.

The money was found farther downriver from Vancouver than FBI agents had estimated Tuesday, when they announced the discovery, and it caused Himmelsbach to return to the theory he has had since 1971 that Cooper landed — dead or alive — in the vicinity of Lake Merwin on the Lewis River about 25 miles north of Vancouver.

Himmelsbach, the agent in charge of the investigation since the hijacking took place, said he believes the dozen packets of greenbacks were gradually washed down the Lewis River and into the Columbia River. Then, he said, ocean tides could have pushed them several miles up the Columbia to where they were found.

There was speculation Tuesday

that the site was too far up the Columbia for the money to have come from the Lewis River.

However, Himmelsbach said yesterday, "My understanding is that this is tidal water, and if so, there are times that this (river) runs backward. So it could have run upstream that far."

Did Cooper, lightly dressed and buffeted by wind and freezing rain when he parachuted from the airliner, drop the money on the way down?

"That's a good possibility," Himmelsbach said. "There's also the possibility that he just took the money, and neither he nor the money left there (where he landed)."

"I feel this is an indication that probably he didn't make it (alive), and it has been my feeling that probably he didn't make it because of the circumstances of the jump and the fact that he didn't have the proper equipment for parachuting," Himmelsbach continued.

"He didn't have a hardhat, goggles, leather gloves, jump suit or jump boots. He didn't have any of those things and he sure needed them all."

"I don't think the fall killed him," Himmelsbach theorized, "but there was that sudden stop. I think probably there was good likelihood he was injured during the fall and didn't have any help . . . and was unable to extricate himself (from wherever he fell). And probably is still there."

Agents continued digging yesterday, and Himmelsbach said he didn't know how long they would continue.

There was no trace at the site of the legendary extortionist nor of his parachute, and Himmelsbach indicated he didn't expect to find such evidence there.

The ransom money was given to Cooper at Seattle - Tacoma International Airport after he threatened to blow up the 727 trijet while on a flight from Portland. At Sea - Tac, he allowed all the passengers and all but four members of the crew to leave, demanded and received the \$200,000 and four parachutes, and had the plane depart for Reno, Nev.

The skyjacker bailed out over Southwest Washington.

Sunday's find was particularly satisfying for Himmelsbach, who on Feb. 29 is scheduled to retire from the FBI after a career of nearly 29 years — more than eight of which were spent trying to solve the Cooper caper. The discovery of the money was the first solid break in the case.

"It doesn't increase my (retirement) annuity any, but it does make me happy," Himmelsbach said.

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Found D.B.'s Loot!

Kids Dig Up Hijack Cash

By Neil Modie

More than eight years after D.B. Cooper parachuted into rainy darkness from a hijacked airliner, part of his \$200,000 loot was found buried in a river bank near Vancouver, Wash., the FBI announced yesterday.

Badly weathered and apparently washed ashore from the Columbia River, the stacks of \$20 bills say nothing encouraging about the fate of the legendary hijacker.

"It can tell you a number of things — either he dropped the money or he's dead," commented John D. Pringle, assistant special agent in charge of the FBI office in Seattle. "We can't tell at this point."

For Ralph Himmelsbach of Portland, the FBI agent in charge of the investigation since it began, the discovery reinforces his opinion that Cooper died after he parachuted from a Northwest Orient 727 trijet on Thanksgiving Eve, 1971.



BRIAN INGRAM
The money in the sand

Himmelsbach said the find reduced to "less than 50 - 50" the odds that Cooper is still alive.

The money was found Sunday by an 8-year-old Vancouver boy, Brian Ingram, and his 5-year-old cousin, Denise, as they were digging in the sand with sticks along the river bank during a family outing.

"This clue is the first we've had since the night of the occurrence," said Bill Baker, assistant special agent in charge of the Portland office, which the Ingram family contacted on Monday.

The money was found about 25 miles southwest of the area where the FBI had thought it most likely Cooper landed after he parachuted from the jetliner into a freezing rainstorm on Nov. 24, 1971.

The hijacker, who had used the name "Dan Cooper" to buy his airline ticket, boarded the jet in Portland, threatened to blow it up with what he claimed was a bomb in his briefcase, then forced it to land in Seattle to collect the ransom.

Cooper allowed 36 passengers aboard the flight to leave, then ordered the crew of four to fly it to Reno after \$200,000 in marked bills and four parachutes demanded by the hijacker were brought on board.

As the southbound airliner passed over Southwest Washington, the hijacker — wearing only a business suit and street shoes — parachuted through a rear stairwell door.

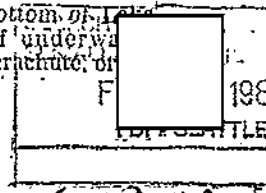
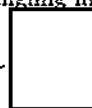
As "Dan Cooper" became a legend, the name "D.B. Cooper" — as an FBI agent had initially identified him — became the name that stuck.

The FBI said his chances of survival were slim because he was lightly dressed for jumping into a howling wind and a freezing rain in a parachute not likely to work.

Agents have theorized that his remains are at the bottom of Merwin, its forest of undergrowth snags entangling his parachute, or

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**Boy who found
hijack loot gets
bill as souvenir**

VANCOUVER, Wash. — (AP) — Brian Ingram, the 8-year-old who uncovered some of D.B. Cooper's hijack loot, will get to keep one of the frayed \$20 bills as a souvenir.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation also gave the Vancouver boy a certificate praising him for his discovery.

Brian was helping his father, Harold, build a fire on a Columbia River beach February 10 when he uncovered three bundles of weathered \$20 bills. The bills were the first evidence uncovered in the case since Cooper hijacked the jetliner in 1971.

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Longview, Wa.

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'Wait a minute Daddy' jolts Cooper story

By Thomas Ryll
Vancouver Columbian

VANCOUVER, Wash. (AP) — It started as a Sunday picnic on a chilly river beach for a Vancouver, Wash., family and became a new chapter in the legend of D.B. Cooper.

With one sweep of his arm, 8-year-old Brian Ingram discovered Sunday what thousands of searchers failed to find — a bundle of \$20 bills, now deteriorated, demanded by the infamous, parachuting skyjacker in 1971.

Tuesday night in an interview with the *Vancouver Columbian*, Brian, his father, H. Dwayne, and his mother, Patricia, recounted the events of a casual outing that unearthed what one official called the "most important discovery" in the 8½-year-old case. At the same time, the elder Ingram described finding several thousand dollars of soggy cash as "heartbreaking" without a penny of reward money in sight.

The family and two relatives were walking along the Columbia River near a sand company about 3:30 p.m. Sunday. They decided to gather wood for a fire to take the chill off the 40-degree temperature.

"I gathered an armload of firewood," said Ingram, 28, a painter for U-Card Manufacturing, a Vancouver firm. "He (Brian) was doing his part, happy and enthusiastic. I was about ready to set the wood down and he said, 'Wait a minute, Daddy.'"

Brian, a second-grader at Hough Elementary School, knelt beneath his father to smooth a spot for the fire. He swept the river sand only once, uncovering three worn bundles of \$20 bills.

"I seen that money, I thought 'Wow!'" recalled the slender, towheaded youngster, who said it was the first money he ever found. "I went over to my parents and they thought it was counterfeit."

Unknown to them, Brian had uncovered part of a \$200,000 ransom handed over to a man calling himself Dan Cooper on Nov. 24, 1971. Cooper demanded the cash as ransom and hijacked a Northwest Airline Boeing 727 jet in Seattle.

As the plane flew south to Reno, Nev., Cooper bailed out from the jet's rear stairway with the bundled money, wrapped in a parachute and tied to his body.

Authorities believe he jumped over southwest Washington.

The Ingrams, who moved here from Oklahoma less than a year ago, said they were aware of the D.B. Cooper saga but did not connect it to their find.

Neither did the buried treasure put a damper on the afternoon activities. "We had a picnic," said Ingram. "We forgot about the money and had a great time."

Back home about 5:30 p.m. Sunday, the bills, eroded into lozenge-shaped piles, were placed unceremoniously atop a kitchen cabinet to dry.

"I was thinking about decoupageing them and putting them on a board," said Mrs. Ingram, 26.

"I thought it might have been mob money or lost money. I just didn't know what to think, but it was just money that looked useless to me."

Monday, during his 10 a.m. coffee break, Ingram called a local bank to see whether the battered bills could be exchanged for new ones. A bank employee told him it could be done if the serial numbers were intact, but added a check would be made of the numbers.

Ingram said he brooded on that the rest of the day and called the Portland FBI office Monday evening, reading several serial numbers to an agent.

When Ingram called back 30 minutes later, "they said they'd like to talk to me."

It was not until Tuesday morning that he learned the money was part of the Cooper caper.

Tuesday evening, the couple watched themselves on national television. By then, they had grown weary of the day's hectic activities and exuded disappointment in learning that apparently no reward awaits their honesty.

"It's just heartbreaking that nothing may come of this," Ingram said.

"I went from a rich man to a poor man without hardly making a move."

Supporting a family of four and making the \$200 a month rent payment for their ragged westside home is tough at times, Ingram said, adding "If all this fame came with a little fortune, I would talk to everyone in the world about this story."

He abruptly ended the interview minutes later, turning his eyes to the television set, saying, "If you don't mind, I've waited five years to see this movie (The Exorcist) on television."

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A-1 HERALD EXAMINER
LOS ANGELES, CA

Date: 2/13/80

Edition: Wednesday, Latest

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Mystery remains in the saga of D.B. Cooper

PORTLAND, Ore. — The mystery surrounding D.B. Cooper's skyjacking and disappearance eight years ago has been rekindled by a Vancouver, Wash., family's inadvertent discovery of worn packets of \$20 bills on the Columbia River shoreline — part of Cooper's \$200,000 ransom.

The saga which changed the nature of airline piracy began on Thanksgiving Day, 1971, when Cooper boarded Northwest Airlines flight 305 for a flight from Portland to Seattle. Once aboard, he handed a crew member a note, saying he was carrying a bomb in a satchel and wanted \$200,000 in unmarked \$20 bills.

When the jetliner landed at the Seattle-Tacoma International Airport that evening, authorities had arranged the cash and had also obtained four parachutes, as instructed by Cooper.

Cooper then allowed the flight's 36 passengers and all crew members but two pilots and one stewardess to disembark. He then ordered the aircraft to take off for Reno, Nev.

At one point in that flight, the crew felt a fluctuation in cabin pressure which suggested the jetliner's rear cabin door had opened.

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IN SAGA OF D.B.
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Seattle Times
Seattle, Wa.

Date: 2/13/80

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Agent 'explains' beachfront deposit

PORTLAND (UPI) — Ralph Himmelsbach, the Federal Bureau of Investigation agent who has headed the D.B. Cooper case since the 1971 hijacking, outlines this "possible scenario" to explain how some of the Cooper money washed up on the beach west of Vancouver:

"Probably the money (in the bag) came down close to the bank of a stream. When the water got high enough it washed downstream, bumping along the bottom. The bag finally degraded.

"Perhaps it could have burst on impact, but that is not likely. We think finally, tumbling down the river bottom, it broke open and the money was carried on, wearing off little bits and pieces around the edges, grinding it down like it had been ground with sandpaper or a file, leaving the center portion."

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TO BUTTE ROUTINE

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NORJAK, OO:SEATTLE.

MR. A. M. ROBINSON, POST OFFICE BOX 58, PECK, IDAHO
83545, CORRESPONDED WITH "THE OREGONIAN", MAJOR PORTLAND,
OREGON, NEWSPAPER, TO ADVISE THAT HE HAS A SUSPICIOUS \$20 BILL
AND WANTED IT CHECKED AGAINST THE RANSOM MONEY IN THIS CASE.
ROBINSON, WHO APPEARED TO BE AN ELDERLY MAN, DID NOT FURNISH
THE SERIAL NUMBER OF THIS BILL.

IT IS REQUESTED THAT BUTTE PROMPTLY CONTACT MR. ROBINSON
TO CHECK OUT THIS MATTER AND ADVISE PORTLAND AND SEATTLE OF
RESULTS.

AM COPY FURNISHED SEATTLE.

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NORJAK (A), OO: SEATTLE.

RE PORTLAND TELETYPE TO BUTTE, DECEMBER 15, 1977.

DECEMBER 15, 1977, A. M. ROBINSON, BOX 58, PECK, IDAHO, 30 YEARS OLD, ADVISED SAW NEWSPAPER ARTICLE IN "OREGONIAN" NEWSPAPER APPROXIMATELY NEAR END NOVEMBER, 1977, INDICATING ANY \$20.00 BILL HAVING SERIES 1971 OR EARLIER COULD BE SUSPICIOUS AND POSSIBLY CONNECTED WITH COOPER HIJACKING IN 1971.

ROBINSON ADVISED OBTAINED \$20.00 BILL FROM FIRST SECURITY BANK, OROFINO, IDAHO, HAVING SERIES 1969C, SERIAL C29167484A, AND THOUGHT AUTHORITIES SHOULD BE ADVISED.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81 Sub j) (P)
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7/3/74

SA [REDACTED]

NORJAK
OO: SEATTLE

Re Sub J, Miscellaneous Information
Re Sub M, Money

On 4/11/74, [REDACTED], Arco Service Station, Seattle, Washington, advised that a white male had been in his station on 4/4/74 and spent a \$20 bill, Serial L89409765C. After consulting the list of ransom bills, [REDACTED] was advised that this \$20 bill was not identical to any \$20 bill in the ransom money.

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TO: SAC, SEATTLE
FROM: SAC, WFO (164-169) (f) (RUC)

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On 1/3/74 [redacted]
Rockville, Maryland, telephonically contacted WFO requesting
that a list of twenty dollar bills still outstanding in
connection with captioned matter be sent to [redacted].
[redacted] The Dalles, Oregon. She stated
that this request was prompted by recent publicity appearing
in the Oregon Journal stating that such a list was avail-
able through local FBI Offices and a visit to [redacted]
[redacted] who related captioned matter to her. She stated
that neither [redacted] are in possession of any
suspect twenty dollar bills nor do either have any infor-
mation concerning caption matter and the list was merely
being requested as matter of curiosity.

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The above information is being furnished the
Portland and Seattle Divisions since the office of origin
may deem it advisable for [redacted] to be interviewed to determine
the basis for his interest in captioned matter.

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- 2 - Portland
- 1 - WFO

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Date: 11/16/73

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TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)
 FROM: [REDACTED] MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) (P)
 SUB: [REDACTED] NORJAK
 OO: SEATTLE

SUB M

Re Seattle airtel to Minneapolis, 11/9/73.

Enclosed for receiving offices is one copy each of a letter received 11/15/73, registered mail, registry number 17427, from [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED] Monrovia, California, [REDACTED].

[REDACTED], Northwest Orient Airlines (NWAL), Minneapolis, Minnesota, was contacted 11/15/73, and he advised that judgment was filed on [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] plus interest in the Hennepin County District Court, Minneapolis. Judgment stayed by the court [REDACTED]

this matter.

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 Special Agent in Charge

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November 13, 1973

Special Agent [redacted]
F.B.I.
U.S. Department of Justice
392 Federal Building
110 S. 4th
Minneapolis, Minn. 55401

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Dear [redacted]:

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This letter is in regards to the parachuting skyjacking on November 24, 1971 of a Northwest Airlines plane between Seattle, Washington and Reno, Nevada. This case has, so far, not been solved and the skyjacker who collected \$200,000 is known only as D.B. Cooper.

In a telephone conversation on November 8, 1973 with [redacted] at Northwest Airlines, St. Paul, Minnesota, we discussed rewards offered in this case. He told me of rewards having been offered of 10% of recovered amounts, or possibly \$25,000 if all is recovered. [redacted] also told me of a Seattle newspaper offering \$5000.

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By telephone conversation on November 6, 1973 and personal meeting on November 8, 1973, [redacted] gave information to special agent Bob Stranger of the Wilshire Office of the F.B.I. in Los Angeles. This information concerned possibilities of a [redacted] as a suspect in the November 24, 1971 skyjacking. Since November 8, 1973 we have had other contacts with Special Agent Bob Stranger.

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This information re-opened the investigation of [redacted] as a suspect. Until the November 8, 1971 meeting between Special Agent Bob Stranger and [redacted] had been presumed [redacted] on November 21, 1973 (three days before the skyjacking). We gave evidence that he is alive and also clues that there might be a link between him and the skyjacking.

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This letter is to serve as claim to any such available rewards should [redacted] be brought to justice in connection with the parachuting skyjack of November 24, 1971 of the Northwest Airline.

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Any reward is to be kept absolutely confidential and is to be [redacted] Glendale, California [redacted] Monrovia, California [redacted]. There is, of course, a risk of revenge

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RE: Sub M - MONEY

On June 1, 1973, BILL CLAUSNER, Sheriff of Stevenson, Washington, advised that \$480 worth of \$20 bills, 1950 series, were found in a home in North Bonneyville, Washington. CLAUSNER advised an elderly lady was living in the home and moved to Goldendale, Washington, to be nearer her family. The elderly lady is named Mrs. MIDLAND, according to CLAUSNER.

Subsequent to her move, an envelope was discovered in the vacant home containing the \$20 bills. CLAUSNER advised all of the \$20 bill serial numbers were run through NCIC, as well as compared with serial numbers on the D. B. COOPER ransom list. There was no match either in NCIC or with the D. B. COOPER ransom list.

It is noted all the D. B. COOPER ransom serial numbers have been entered into NCIC.

No further investigation appears to be warranted concerning this matter.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

May 11, 1973

SA [REDACTED]

NORJAK
OO: SEATTLE

RE: SUB M MONEY

On April 30, 1973, [REDACTED] Federal Reserve Bank Official, was contacted, and he advised that the average life expectancy of a \$20 bill assuming normal circulation patterns, would be approximately one and one-half years.

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1/2/73

SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

Sub M

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During the trial of [redacted] and [redacted], it was necessary to testify that a microfilm had been prepared of the ransom money paid to the hijacker of Northwest Airlines Flight 305. In tracing back the preparation of the microfilm, the following information was revealed:

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Through [redacted] [redacted] Seattle-First National Bank, it was learned that the actual microfilming of the money was done by their employee, [redacted] who can be located at telephone number [redacted].

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On December 14, 1972, [redacted] advised that the money was microfilmed on a Recordak Model RW600, by [redacted]. He advised that the machine normally takes both the front and back sides of the document but in the case of the filming of the money, they blocked out the back of the bill as well as one half of the front side.

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At issue in the testimonies of [redacted] was whether or not there could be some distortion in the numbers of the bills due to the fact they were taken at an angle. [redacted], who is familiar with these machines, stated that although a series of mirrors is used to record the images of the checks or money, the surface of the document must be square to the film plane. Therefore, he advised there is no angle and no known distortion.

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SA [REDACTED]

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On December 18, 1972, SA [REDACTED] received an anonymous telephone call from a male inquiring as to the amount of the reward for the return of the D. B. COOPER ransom money. He was advised of the amount as well as the fact that the reward would vary with the portion of ransom money recovered. The individual then said "that don't sound like enough," and hung up.

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The above information is being provided for information purposes only. It is SA [REDACTED] opinion that the individual who called quite possibly was not the hijacker because of his use of poor English and obvious lack of a formal education.

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DB Cooper-30059

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Seattle (87-13902)

DATE: November 29, 1972

FROM : For the Acting Director, FBI (164-2111)
W. Mark Felt
Acting Associate Director

SUBJECT: aka;
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION; ITSP; FBW

OO: Seattle

Reurtel November 24, 1972.

K4 in this matter is one roll of microfilm of the NORJAK ransom money. K4 was originally submitted to the Laboratory by Seattle with an airtel dated April 26, 1972. K4 was returned to Seattle as an enclosure to Laboratory report dated May 1, 1972. Seattle resubmitted K4 with an airtel dated May 3, 1972, and it has been maintained in the Laboratory since that date. K4 is enclosed herewith.

Two documents designated Q46 and Q47 were received from Atlanta on May 1, 1972. Q46 and Q47 are the receipts involved in this matter and were returned to Atlanta as enclosures to Laboratory report addressed to Seattle dated May 3, 1972. Atlanta will furnish these receipts to Seattle as requested in retel.

Enclosure 

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Via _____
(Priority)TO: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111) &
SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)

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FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

NORJAK. OO: SEATTLE.

RE MINNEAPOLIS NITEL TO BUREAU AND SEATTLE,
OCTOBER FIVE, SEVENTYTWO.MINNEAPOLIS IS REQUESTED TO RECONTACT MR. NYROP
AND OBTAIN HIS APPROVAL FOR THE RELEASE OF THE FOLLOWING
INFORMATION TO THE NEWS MEDIA IN THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST AREA:"DONALD W. NYROP, PRESIDENT, NORTHWEST ORIENT
AIRLINES, MINNEAPOLIS DASH ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA, HAS
AUTHORIZED A FINDERS FEE OF TWENTYFIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS TOTAL
REWARD OR FIFTEEN PER CENT OF ANY PORTION OF THE D. B. COOPER
RANSOM MONEY THAT IS RETURNED."

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Special Agent in

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To D. B. Cooper disappearance

FBI hopes hunters may find clues

The FBI is hopeful that one of several thousand deer hunters beating the brush in Cowlitz and Clark counties this fall may run across evidence of D.B. Cooper (or whatever his name is) who parachuted out of a jetliner nearly a year ago with about 40 pounds of \$20 bills.

The State Game Department is cooperating with the FBI and will distribute thousands of ~~form~~ letters asking hunters for their help and outlining what to

look for.

J. E. Milnes, special agent in charge at Seattle, asks hunters or campers to contact the FBI if any of the following is noticed:

- (1) The remains of a man, possibly dead for one year.
- (2) The remnants of a parachute, harness or parachute shroud lines.
- (3) Ten thousand \$20 bills wrapped in a parachute canopy. The serial numbers are known and can be identified.

(4) Deteriorated raincoat or overcoat.

(5) Small briefcase or attache case. Tom Manning, special FBI agent in Longview, urged anyone having any information concerning this matter to report to the nearest FBI office or call the Seattle office collect, MA2-0460.

The area where the search is being concentrated is bound on the west by Interstate Highway 5, on the south by the Columbia River, on the north by the Kalama River, and on the east by the Skamania-Clark county line.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

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The Daily News
Longview, Washington

Date: 10/3/72

Edition: Afternoon

Author: Dick Pollock

Editor: John McClelland

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 8/4/72

FROM : SA [redacted]

SUBJECT: NORJAK

Re Memo of SA [redacted] to SAC, 8/1/72

Referenced memorandum contained information regarding [redacted] alleging that he is able to locate currency by means of [redacted].

On 8/2/72 [redacted] telephonically advised that [redacted] had changed his original location of a currency cache to a spot approximately 2½ miles east of the original location. It should be noted that the new location is approximately on line of flight of the hijacked aircraft as set forth on original maps and in other data, and also approximately 1½ miles from Point A, of a triangulated search area, in a northerly direction.

On 8/3/72 the writer, [redacted] and [redacted] went to the intersection of County Roads 16 and 32 in Clark County where [redacted] and [redacted] exhibited time honored techniques [redacted]. This resulted in producing what they concluded to be the direction and approximate location of a large sum of currency. Three other reference points were located on County Road 20 and using the same method angles were determined setting up a triangle in which this large amount of currency is believed to be located by [redacted].

One other reference point, being Point A (Supra), was located, after which both [redacted], using their technique produced an angle which when extended appeared to contact the previously established location within the triangle.

Maps explaining the above information are attached to this communication.

The writer to test the veracity of the technique used hid small sums of currency in various locations and observed both [redacted] locate the hidden currency using the [redacted].

It is felt consideration should be given to exploring the possibility that a large sum of currency is located at the area outlined in red on one of the attached maps.



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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

DB Cooper-30064

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81 SUB G)

7/26/72

SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

NORJAK

RE: FILM OF RANSOM MONEY

During the investigation of the story appearing in the "Seattle Flag" the microfilm of the ransom money was sent to the FBI Lab via pilot courier on Northwest Airlines flight 78 leaving Seattle at 9:15 a.m. on May 4, 1972 and was to be picked up on arrival at Dulles Airport at 5 p.m. by the Alexandria Office (See 164-81-3181 - daily summary).

The original communication to Alexandria is Seattle teletype dated May 4, 1972, serial 164-81-3076.

In view of the fact that the case against [redacted] [redacted] will be going to trial, the Bureau is not being requested at this time to return the film inasmuch as certain exhibits might be requested of the Laboratory concerning the \$20. bills in the [redacted] case.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

5/19/72

SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

NORJAK

After receipt from the New York Office of a Xerox copy of the three \$20 bills which had been involved in the manuscript prepared by [redacted], the original microfilm made of the ransom money itself, was reviewed on 4/25 and 26/72 on a viewer at the Federal Reserve Bank by SAs [redacted] and the three bills bearing serial numbers L 54904730 A, L 33529797 A and L 20168977 A, were located and marked on the film. As each bill was located on the viewer, a print thereof was made.

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Attached as part of this memo is a print of each of the bills from the microfilm.

A review of the Xerox copies of the original microfilm shows that the Xerox copies were bogus.

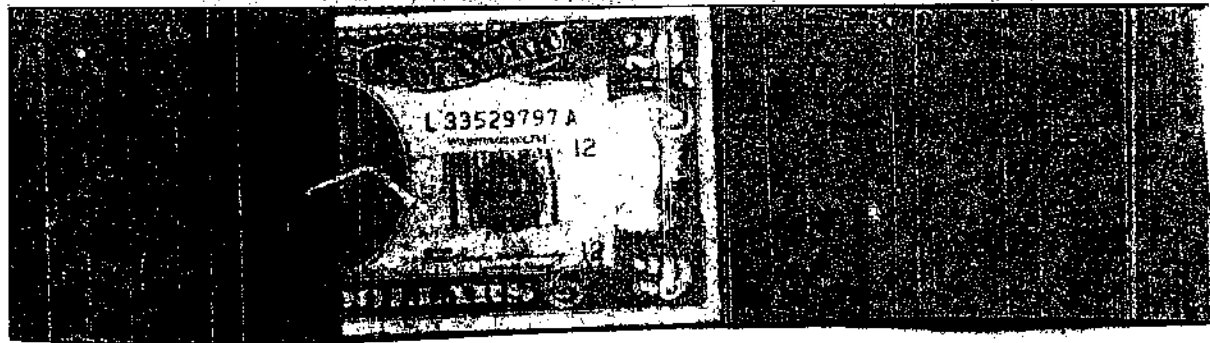
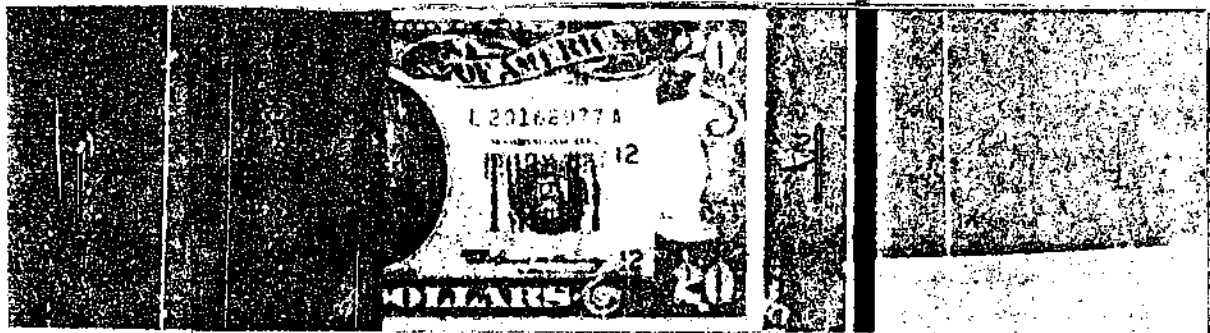
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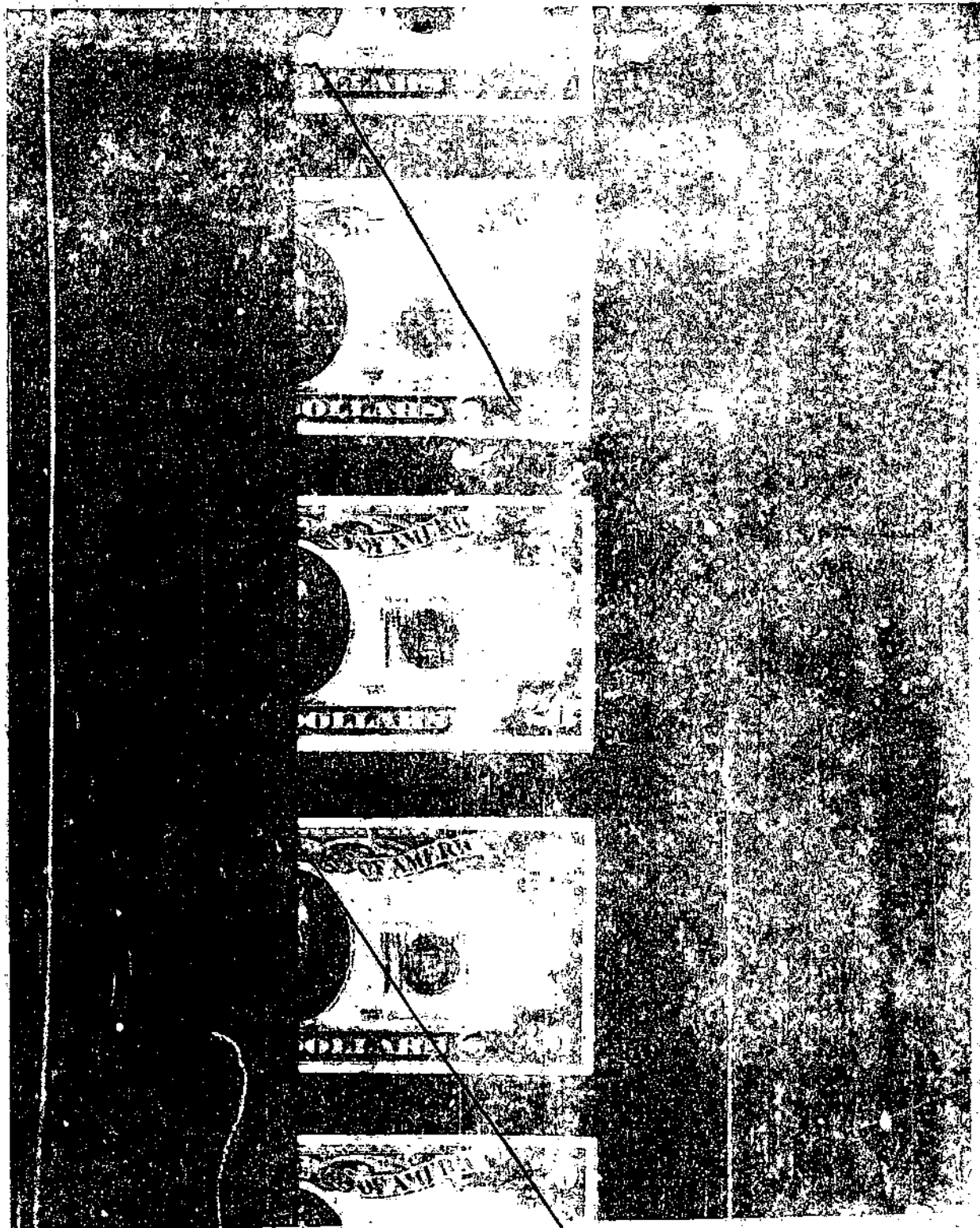
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Transmitted by Facsimile - PLAINTEXT

Priority ImmediateTo: SAC Earl Holmes SEATTLEDate: 4/28/72From:

Time Transmitted -

Subject: NORSAK

Received -

☐ Fingerprint Photo☐ Fingerprint Retina☐ Map☐ Newspaper clipping☐ Photograph☐ Artist Conception☐ OtherLaboratory Report☐ (S 1st)☐ (S 2nd)

Special Handling Instructions:

Approved: AMS

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MONEY

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Seattle (164-81)

Date: May 1, 1972

Re: **HONJAN**

[Signature]
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **164-2111**
Lab. No. **D-726827092 IL**

Examination requested by: **Seattle**

Reference: **Airtel 4/26/72**

Examination requested: **Urgent**

Comments:

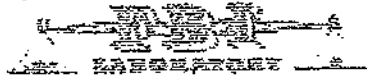
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2 - Los Angeles Enclosures (2) (3 Lab report)
2 - New York Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE

164-81-2963

REPORT
of the



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Seattle (154-81)

Date: May 1, 1972

Re: MURKIN

FBI File No.

100-2111

Lab. No.

D-720427000 LL

Specimens available at the Bureau:

Q43 Photocopy of three U. S. twenty-dollar bills bearing serial numbers L 54004730 A, L 33520707 A and L 20100977 A

Specimens received from FBI, Seattle 4/27/72:

K4 One roll of microfilm of ransom money

ALSO SUBMITTED: Three photocopies made from microfilm of ransom bills bearing serial numbers L 54004730 A, L 33520707 A and L 20100977 A

Result of examination:

The bills represented by Q43 were compared with corresponding bills represented by K4. In the comparison, photographic overlays of the Q43 bills showed the serial numbers on these bills to be out of register with the serial numbers on the K4 bills.

The examination definitely determined that the Q43 bills are not a part of the ransom money represented by the K4 microfilm.

K4 is returned herewith. Appropriate photographs made from K4 and the ALSO SUBMITTED items are retained.

DB Cooper-30072

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164-81-2962

DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

4/21/72

LEGAT, COPENHAGEN (164-3) (RUC)

NORJAK

ReBuairtels 11/29/71 and 12/7/71.

The ransom list and photographs furnished to this office were disseminated to all Scandinavian police departments with the request that practical and appropriate dissemination be made and that the composite drawing of the Unsub be disseminated to parachute clubs and associated groups in an effort to effect identification of the Unsub.

Since no positive resulting information has been received, this case is being closed. Bureau, however, will be promptly informed of any subsequent information which may be developed.

5 - Bureau
 (1 - Foreign Liaison) (direct)
 (2 - Seattle)
1 - Copenhagen
BWR:ims
(6)

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164-81-2935

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4/26/72

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)
ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)(P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK
OO: SEATTLE

Being sent to the Bureau by pilot courier is one roll of microfilm listing the ransom paid in the captioned case.

Making reference to the xerox copies of three \$20 bills which allegedly were in the possession of person identified as "D. B. COOPER" and given to [redacted], located on the microfilm and marked with a small piece of tape. These \$20 bills are as follows:

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L54904730A, series 1969

L33529797A, series 1969

L20168977A, series 1969

It was noted that only the right half of the bill was microfilmed. When these bills were located on the microfilm, a print was made and a copy was included.

It is presumed the Bureau already has a xerox copy of the three bills with the corner folded over as originally made available to Seattle.

The above film is being sent via Northwest Airlines Flight 78, departing Seattle at 9:15 a.m. April 27, 1972, Pacific Standard Time, and arriving Dulles International Airport, 4:55 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, April 27, 1972.

3 - Bureau (1 - package copy)
(2) - Seattle
CEF/slb
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DB Cooper-30074

164-81-2929 Sub. m

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

4/27/72

ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

NORJAK

SA [] called from the airport and said he put the microfilm on Flight #78, arriving Dulles Airport at 4:55 PM, EST. []

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[] I called WFO and talked to Relief Supervisor who said they would meet the plane.

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164-81-2926 Sub. m

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : FILE (164-81)

DATE: 4/26/72

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE

SUBJECT: NORJAK

Sub. M.
[redacted] - SOURCE

On 4/26/72 I called SA [redacted] at the Bureau.

I told him we had some representatives of the Secret Service look at the Xerox copies of the bills purported to be in [redacted] possession.

I advised him that according to the Secret Service representatives there is always a capitalized letter and a small number on the upper left-hand corner of each bill. The same capitalized letter with the same or a different number appears in the lower right-hand corner of the bill.

On Bill No. 1 the number and letter in the upper left corner, according to the Xerox, is C 4. The microfilm of this same bill, however, shows the letter in the lower right corner of that same bill to be H, the letter being obscured. According to the Secret Service, both of these letters should be the same and clearly they are not.

With Bill No. 2, according to the Xerox the letter in the upper left corner is E 2, whereas the microfilm is rather unclear but there appears to be an F in the lower right corner.

He advised that the Bureau of engraving has looked at the bills and think that one of the digits in the serial number of bill No. 1 is off.

I told him we were endeavoring to locate the third bill and would let him know when done. In the meantime we were trying to get a clear look at Bill No. 2.

DB Cooper-30077

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Sub. M.
164-81-2925

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5010-108

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

FILE (164-81)

4/25/72

SAC, SEATTLE

NORJAK

Re memo of SA [redacted] dated 4/24/72,
attached.

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I suggested to SA [redacted] at the Bureau on
4/24/72 that he have the photostat of these bills examined by
the Bureau of Engraving since it appeared to me there
were some discrepancies in the 9's in the bills.

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164-81-2909

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FBI - SEATTLE	

[Signature]

DB Cooper-30078

DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

4/18/72

SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

NORJAK

For consideration of the Bureau, it is noted that the Nation of Liberia, in Africa, utilizes as its legal tender currency of the United States. It would appear that any person wishing to exchange a quantity of U. S. currency in such a manner as to avoid connection with a crime through identifiable funds could do so there with a minimum of exposure. Accordingly, it is suggested the Bureau may wish to disseminate the ransom money list in this matter to appropriate Liberian authorities through liaison channels.

2-Bureau
2-Seattle (164-81)
2-Portland

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164-81-2891

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[Signature]

DB Cooper-30081

Routing Slip
0-7 (Rev. 3-11-72)

(Copies to Offices Checked)

TO: SAC:

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RE: NORJAK

Date 4/12/72

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Sul K

☐ For information ☐ Retention optional ☐ For appropriate action ☐ Surep, by _____

☐ The enclosed is for your information. If used in a future report, ☐ conceal all sources, ☐ paraphrase contents.

☐ Enclosed are corrected pages from report of SA _____ dated _____

Remarks:

100 copies of ransom list enclosed

150 sketches being handled separate and will be forwarded.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM : SAC, BALTIMORE (164-103) RJC

SUBJECT: NORJAK

DATE: 4/13/72

Re Seattle airtel to Baltimore, 3/16/72,
and Bureau airtel to all field offices, 12/7/71.

Referenced Seattle airtel eliminated suspect
[redacted], the only suspect in Baltimore Division,
which had not been resolved.

Referenced Bureau airtel requested that
proper dissemination be made to all parachute clubs
in each division concerning information on hijacker.

Information was provided to the only two
active parachute clubs in Baltimore Division, Pelacan
Sports Aviation, Ridgely, Maryland and Southern Cross
Parachute Sport Club, Downsville, Maryland. Contact
with these clubs provided negative results.

In addition to contacting parachute clubs,
the list of ransom bills were distributed to all local
law enforcement agencies and major banks in the Baltimore
Division.

If any positive information is developed in
Baltimore, it will expeditiously be forwarded to Seattle.

2 - Seattle
1 - Baltimore
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FBI - SEATTLE	

ST. JOHN



Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

DB Cooper-30083

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-479)

FROM : SAC, TAMPA (164-110) (RUC)

SUBJECT: NORJACK

DATE: 3/29/72

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Re Bureau airtel to all offices dated 11/29/71.

For information of Seattle, the distribution of ransom list, description and composite drawing have been sent to all major police departments in the Tampa Division. Contact with known parachute and skydiving clubs have failed to develop any suspects.

② - Seattle
1 - Tampa
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164-~~479~~-2657

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

4/7/72

SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

NORJAK

RE: RANSOM MONEY

On 3/15/72 the Seattle Police Department advised that they had received an anonymous call that two \$20 bills had been passed, apparently that evening, [redacted]
[redacted].

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On 3/15/72 [redacted]
[redacted], when advised of the above information stated that to his knowledge no such money had been passed and readily made available from his cash registers and his safe, the only \$20 bills he had in his establishment. There were four in number and a check of these against the ransom list reflected none to be identical.

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[redacted] also stated that he knew of no one from [redacted]
[redacted] who might have made such a call and neither he nor the people working [redacted], observed anyone using the pay phone [redacted] to make such a call.

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164-81-2631

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DB Cooper-30085

Routing Slip
FD-4 (Rev. 12-22-69)

To: ☐ Director

Date 4/4/72

Att.: ~~MECHANICAL SECTION~~

Bufile 164-2111

Title _____

☐ SAC

☐ ASAC

☐ Supv.

☐ Agent

☐ SE

☐ IC

☐ CC

☐ Steno

☐ Clerk

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RE: _____

☐ Rotor #: _____

ACTION DESIRED

☐ Acknowledge

☐ Assign Reassign _____

☐ Bring file

☐ Call me

☐ Correct

☐ Deadline _____

☐ Deadline passed

☐ Delinquent

☐ Discontinue

☐ Expedite

☐ File

☐ For information

☐ Handle

☐ Initial & return

☐ Leads need attention

☐ Return with explanation or notation as to action taken.

☐ Open Case

☐ Prepare lead cards

☐ Prepare tickler

☐ Return assignment card

☐ Return file

☐ Search and return

☐ See me

☐ Serial # _____

☐ Post ☐ Recharge ☐ Return

☐ Send to _____

☐ Submit new charge out

☐ Submit report by _____

☐ Type

Bureau is requested to forward to the Seattle Division, the following:

100 copies of the ransom list
150 sketches each, of unsub in this matter,
showing him with and without glasses.

See reverse side

Office

SEATTLE

* GPO : 1971 421-419

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (164-81)(P)

DATE: 3/30/72

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FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: NORJAK
OO: SEATTLE

[redacted]

Spokane, Wash.

This confirms our telephone conversation this date.

At approximately 12:05 p.m. this date the writer received a telephone call in the Spokane RA from a young man who refused to reveal his identity but who advised as follows:

He first wanted to know if there is a reward for the hijack money. He said he can take us to it and even to the room next to where it is maintained. He said he is concerned about prosecution himself as an accessory or having knowledge. He has a bad record. He was in jail when the hijacking took place. He said about 95% of the money is available but he could not tell me how much money in dollars is involved which might indicate he does not know how much was paid in ransom. He wants guarantee of non-prosecution and no publicity. He said the money is not in Spokane and not in this State. He said he is interested in "hard cash" and wants to know how much he can get.

The caller sounded coherent and clear and intelligent. He was advised that no figure of reward could be told to him now but that if he assisted in this matter he would be reasonably and profitably compensated.

Later this afternoon, the writer was informed by [redacted] the "Spokane Daily Chronicle" that at approximately 12:30 p.m. [redacted] of the "Chronicle" received a phone call from a young man who apparently is the same person that called the writer.

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164-81-2609

This person told [redacted] that he knows where the money from the hijacking (he specifically mentioned Portland to Seattle plane) is; that he is not from Spokane; that he is willing to give the paper the story on how it developed;

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NR009 SE PLAIN

1135 PM NITEL 3/27/72 FEE

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM SEATTLE (164-81) 1P

NORJAK.

RE SEATTLE TEL TO THE BUREAU MARCH TWENTY-FOUR, SEVENTY-TWO.

[REDACTED]
SEATTLE, ADVISED THAT DUE TO THE EXTREMELY SENSITIVE NATURE OF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THEY ARE UNABLE TO CONFIRM AT THIS TIME THE
EXACT RESULTS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND THE POTENTIAL SOURCE OF THE TWENTY DOLLAR
BILLS INVOLVED. [REDACTED] INDICATED THAT THE RESULTS OF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE FBI AT PORTLAND BY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IMMEDIATELY UPON RECEIPT OF PERTINENT INFORMATION
[REDACTED]

SEATTLE WILL MAINTAIN STRINGENT CONTACT WITH [REDACTED] AT SEATTLE
SO AS TO KEEP AWARE AS POSSIBLE OF PROGRESS OF [REDACTED] AT
PORTLAND.

END

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DB Cooper-30089

Sub. m
164-81-2586

SAC. SEATTLE (164-81)

3/21/72

SAC. SAN ANTONIO (164 111) (P)

NORJAK

ReSAairtel to SE, 2/15/72 and SElet to PD 3/6/72.

MONEY
The lists of ransom bills paid in this case have been circulated to banking institutions in the San Antonio Division and have also been made available to the base exchanges on the military installations at San Antonio, Texas.

Continued contact with sources and local agencies have not developed any positive information as to the identity of this subject.

Investigation is continuing concerning other specific leads which San Antonio has.

LEADS

SAN ANTONIO

AT SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS. Will report results of investigation under way at Killeen, Texas.

UNSUB CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

① - Seattle
2 - San Antonio
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164-81-2577

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DB Cooper-30090

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

3/7/72

SAC, CINCINNATI (164-55) (RUC)

NORJAK

Re Bureau airtel to all SACs dated 12/7/71.

The list of ransom bills paid to the unknown subject in this case have been disseminated to logical Police Departments, Sheriff's Offices, motels and hotels in the Cincinnati Division. Additionally, the composite drawing of the unknown subject has been disseminated to all parachute clubs and associated groups in the Cincinnati Division. No positive information has been developed to date.

Since no investigation remains in the Cincinnati Division at this time, this matter is considered RUC. Any information developed in the future will be immediately called to the attention of the Bureau and Seattle.

2 - Seattle
1 - Cincinnati

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CONSIDER ARMED AND DANGEROUS

164-81-2450 *Sub m*

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FBI - SEATTLE	

DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

2/23/72

[redacted] (164-2) (RUC)

SUB - M.
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NORJAK

Re Bureau airtel, 12/7/71.

Ransom list has been furnished to [redacted]
[redacted] and to [redacted] Artist's
conception of individual believed to be subject in this case likewise
furnished to [redacted]

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On 2/17/72, matter was discussed with [redacted]
[redacted] who advised list of ransom bills
had been widely distributed by [redacted]. He stated [redacted] would promptly
furnish Legat any information developed regarding captioned case.

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4 - Bureau
(1 - Foreign Liaison Desk)
(1 - Seattle, Info.)

1 [redacted]

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164-81-2281 Sub. m

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DB Cooper-30092

Director, FBI (164-2111)

February 17, 1972

[redacted] (164-16) (P)

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NORJAK

Re Bureau airtels November 29 and December 7, 1971.

[redacted] advised on February 16, 1972, that its alerted police districts have not developed any information to date relating to the unknown subject in this case. [redacted] any information relating to DAN COOPER or D. B. COOPER as described in Bureau airtels.

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The composite drawing of unknown individual who used the name of DAN COOPER when he hijacked Northwest Airlines flight 305, as well as a copy of the ransom list, have been furnished [redacted] with the request that logical inquiries be instituted to identify the unknown subject.

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Should any pertinent information be developed [redacted] the Bureau will be advised promptly.

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5 - Bureau (1 - Foreign Liaison Desk)

(2) - Seattle

1 - [redacted]

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DB Cooper-30093

Director, FBI (164-2111)

2/8/72

[redacted] (164-4) (RUC)

NORJAK

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ReBuairtel 12/7/71.

A list of the numbers of the bills comprising the loot in this case was furnished [redacted] [redacted] On 2/3/72 [redacted], informed that there would be little chance of these bills being [redacted]

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4 - Bureau
 ① - Seattle)
 (1 - Foreign Liaison).
1 - [redacted]
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164-81-2256

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DB Cooper-30094

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Date: 2/2/72

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)
RE: NORJAK

Re Seattle teletype to Butte dated 12/20/71.

Enclosed for Seattle are 15 copies of an investigative insert containing the names of individuals who were the subjects of investigation and whose whereabouts were established by the Los Angeles Division and/or results of investigation and interviews revealed the person whose name was furnished to the Los Angeles Division as a possible suspect, did not appear to warrant further consideration as a logical suspect at that time.

Details of investigation will be retained in the Los Angeles case file for captioned matter.

Referenced Seattle teletype requested contact with logical informants, banks, news media and review of bank robbery suspects to insure maximum coverage and development of logical suspects.

A memorandum setting forth details of the hijacking has been disseminated to all Agents in the Los Angeles Division requesting all logical informants be contacted and Special Agents concerned with bank robbery suspects have been requested to remain alert for individuals who could be considered logical suspects in this matter.

DB Cooper-30095

② - Seattle (Encls. 15) (AM)
2 - Los Angeles

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164-81-2186 Sub. m

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FEB 07 1972	
FBI - SEATTLE	

Approved: *[Signature]*
Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M Per _____

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 2/4/72

FROM : SPC [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: NORJAK

On 2/4/72, SPC [REDACTED] advised writer that he had heard from [REDACTED] (LNU) that a bill taken in this matter had been located at the Seattle-First National Bank, Vancouver, Wash., branch. [REDACTED] had heard this from [REDACTED]

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SA CHARLES FARRELL did not know anything about the matter and talked directly with [REDACTED] himself. [REDACTED] stated that he had just talked to the lady and she stated she had just heard the tail end of a conversation dealing with what appeared to be a \$20 bill in "evidence" wrapping and assumed this was part of the NORJAK money. [REDACTED] gave this woman's name as [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Vancouver, Wash., phone [REDACTED].

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After being advised of the situation by SA FARRELL, SA THOMAS MANNING called [REDACTED] at the number given. She advised that the bill described above had been brought in by a Secret Service Agent. The bill was counterfeit and the agent was apparently doing routine background investigation. He asked many of the tellers questions pertaining to who might have passed the bill. This took place on Thursday, 2/3/72. That afternoon

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[REDACTED] went to lunch with [REDACTED] and in the course of the conversation, [REDACTED] told her about this bill. At this point, one of the two mentioned something about the possibility of it being one of the bills taken in the hijacking. When [REDACTED] in Vancouver, she told [REDACTED] (LNU) who is [REDACTED], about the bill and it seems this is where the counterfeit bill turned into one of the hijacked bills.

ASAC's Portland and Seattle are cognizant of this matter.

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NORJAK

ReBuairtel, 12/7/71; and urnitel, 12/20/71.

As of this date, all suspects in the Butte Division have been successfully eliminated and the results of the investigation have been previously furnished to Seattle via teletype or letter.

Copies of ransom lists furnished by the Bureau have been disseminated to all financial institutions within the States of Idaho and Montana, all law enforcement agencies within both states and to Canadian authorities at Regina, Saskatchewan, and Edmonton, Alberta. All financial institutions within the Division have been requested to have their employees to be alert regarding large transactions of \$20.00 Federal reserve notes and unusual activities in safety deposit boxes.

Unless advised to the contrary by Seattle, no formal report is being submitted at this time.

Armed and Dangerous

② - Seattle
2 - Butte
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FILE (164-81)

1/31/72

SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

NORJAK

Re: RANSOM MONEY

The ransom money obtained by Northwest Airlines was microfilmed by the [redacted]. The original roll of film contained on one reel, was picked up by SA [redacted] and sent to the Laboratory by United Airlines courier. Since the above roll of film contained the serial numbers of \$230,000, it was necessary to furnish the serial numbers of the \$30,000 which was not included in the ransom (the ransom being \$200,000).

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Because the Laboratory was having difficulty with eliminating the serial numbers, they requested we obtain the complete list of serial numbers which were deleted from the original listing of the \$230,000.

In the meantime, the [redacted] had prepared another amount of ransom money of \$230,000 and included in that, the \$30,000 which had been taken from the first ransom money as mentioned in paragraph one above.

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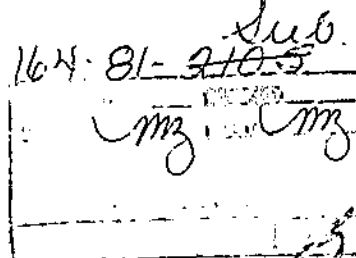
The [redacted] then loaned to us, two reels of microfilm which contains their current ransom money and which included the bills which had been taken from the first ransom money. These two rolls of microfilm were sent to the Laboratory and were used to compile an accurate list of the ransom money given to the hijacker.

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All three reels of film returned by the Bureau with the following dispositions:

The reel containing the ransom money given to the hijacker is being maintained in the Seattle Office as evidence

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DB Cooper-30099

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

SUBJECT: NORJAK

DATE: 1/24/72

Re Bureau airtel to Seattle 1/6/72.

In an effort to generate the cooperation of the public, the Bureau in referenced airtel instructed as follows:

"The Seattle Office should consider soliciting cooperative radio, television, and newspaper outlets in pertinent areas to encourage listeners to examine \$20 bills and check them against the ransom lists at police departments and FBI offices. Copies of the ransom list could be furnished cooperative radio, television, and newspaper sources.

Each receiving office is requested to establish liaison with radio and television stations, and news media to make every effort to implement the Bureau's suggestion for additional publicity about the ransom bills.

- 2 - Portland (164-41)
- 2 - Las Vegas (164-60)
- 2 - Sacramento (164-50)
- 2 - San Francisco (164-220)
- 2 - Seattle (164-81)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM : SAC, LITTLE ROCK (164-22) (RUC)

SUBJECT: NORJAK
(OO: SE)

DATE: 1/21/72

Re Seattle airtel dated 12/7/71 and Bureau airtel to all SACs dated 12/7/71.

List of serial numbers of the money given to the hijacker has been disseminated to selected banks and other business institutions in the Little Rock Division. To date, no pertinent information has been received in this office concerning any of the serial numbers.

All agents in the Little Rock Division have been advised of the details concerning this matter and it has been determined that there are no parachute clubs located in this state.

Any pertinent information received by this office concerning this matter will receive immediate investigative attention and Seattle will be advised.

2 - Seattle
1 - Little Rock
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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

1/24/72

SAC, NEW ORLEANS (164-136) (RUC)

NORJAK

Re New Orleans nitel to Seattle, 12/23/71,
and Bureau airtel to all offices and Legats, 12/7/71.

Lists of bait money in captioned matter
circulated to appropriate banking institutions throughout
the New Orleans field division.

Artist drawing of unsub made available to
agents of the New Orleans field division for exhibit
to appropriate sources. No information of value
developed to date.

Should any information of value be developed
relative to captioned matter, New Orleans will immediately
advise Seattle.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

② - Seattle
1 - New Orleans
KK - smj
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : FILE (164=81)

DATE: 1/25/72

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE

SUBJECT: NORJAK

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Re Bureau routing slip 11/29/71 attaching 2 rolls of microfilm.

On 1/25/72 SA MAURICE F. ROW at the Bureau advised that copies of the bills contained in this microfilm were retained at the Bureau. In view of this, these films should be returned to [redacted] at the [redacted]

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*Two Rolls of Microfilm
RET'D 1-27-72 to [redacted]*

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM : SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

SUBJECT: NORJAK

DATE: 1/20/72

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In connection with the Bureau's desires that additional publicity be obtained which might help in solving NORJAK, the Bureau, by airtel dated 1/6/72, advised as follows:

"The Seattle Office should consider soliciting cooperative radio, television, and newspaper outlets in pertinent areas to encourage listeners to examine \$20 bills and check them against the ransom lists at police departments and FBI Offices. Copies of the ransom list could be furnished cooperative radio, television, and newspaper sources."

Each SRA should contact friendly or established sources mentioned in referenced Bureau airtel for the purpose of publicizing the above information.

Each SRA should then advise how many copies of the list of ransom bills would be needed to further this publicizing of the ransom money.

3 - file (164-81)
1 - Each Senior Resident Agent
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(Priority)

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TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK

On 12/27/71, RUDY WEBER, former Special Agent of the FBI, and currently Manager of Security for Vons Grocery Company, 10150 Lower Azusa Road, El Monte, California, advised [redacted] of the Southern California Grocers Association (SCGA), would consider printing the list of ransom money in the "Grocer's Journal", a monthly publication of the SCGA, distributed to most large grocers in Southern California.

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On 12/28/71, [redacted] was contacted and advised he was very willing to print such a list in the "Grocer's Journal", and stated the next issue is to be published 1/10/72.

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Mr. WEBER has advised that [redacted], [redacted], Bay Area Grocers Association, Inc., 4170 Piedmont Street, Oakland, California, telephone [redacted] could also be contacted regarding the possibility of having the list printed in the San Francisco Bay Area trade magazine.

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In addition, he furnished the following names and addresses of similar magazines distributed widely in the U.S. which might also be considered for such dissemination:

② - Seattle
2 - Los Angeles

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Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : FILE (164-81)

DATE: 12/29/71

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE

SUBJECT:
SAC CONTACT

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For record purposes, I contacted on 12/13/71 concerning the possibility of publishing the list of serial numbers in the NORJAK case, SEfile 164-81.

advised this would be considered. However, on reflection he advised that the cost was somewhat prohibitive and instead he would arrange to run a series of articles calling the public's attention to the fact that the serial numbers are available.

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These articles appeared subsequently in the Seattle TIMES.

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cc: 66-2540

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : FILE (164-81)

DATE: 12/29/71

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE

SUBJECT:
SAC CONTACT

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These articles appeared subsequently in the P-I.

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cc: 80-1382.

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Seattle Post-Intelligencer Sun., Dec. 19, 1971 BM A 15

Lists of Hijack Bills Distributed

Lists of serial numbers of the bills given to hijacker "D. B. Cooper" have been distributed to banks and other financial institutions in this area, the Federal Bureau of Investigation has announced.

J. Earl Milnes, special agent in charge of the FBI office here, said anyone who thinks he or she might have one of the 10,000 \$20 bills that were given to "Cooper" the night of Nov. 24 when he hijacked a Northwest Orient Airlines plane, may contact the FBI office here.

The FBI's telephone number is MA 2-0460.

"Cooper," who bailed out of the plane somewhere between Seattle and Reno, is still at large.

Anyone who has information that might lead to his arrest and conviction should contact Secret Witness, P. O. Box 298, Seattle, Wash. 98111. A \$5,000 reward has been posted.

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NR006 LV PLAIN

642 PM NITEL 12-23-71 GEJ

TO SEATTLE

FROM LAS VEGAS 164-60 1P

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NORJAK

RE SEATTLE TEL DECEMBER TWENTY LAST.

ALL SOURCES IN LAS VEGAS DIVISION BEING CONTACTED CONCERNING CAPTIONED MATTER. BANK ROBBERY SUSPECTS PROGRAM REVIEWED FOR ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO COULD BE CONSIDERED AS SUSPECT IN CAPTIONED MATTER. NO INDIVIDUALS IN THIS PROGRAM MET DESCRIPTION AND NONE WHO COULD LOGICALLY BE CONSIDERED AS SUSPECT.

BANKING ASSOCIATIONS AND BANKS CONTACTED RE BAIT LIST AND COPIES FURNISHED TO THEM. ALL BANKS ARE REQUESTED TO ALERT EMPLOYEES FOR ANY LARGE DEPOSITS AND/OR EXCHANGES OF BILLS.

NEWSPAPERS IN LAS VEGAS AND RENO CONTACTED RE ARTICLE CONCERNING LIST OF RANSOM BILLS AND ARE AGREEABLE TO PUBLISHING SUCH AN ARTICLE. NEWSPAPERS IN NEVADA ARE AT INTERVALS RUNNING NEWSPAPERS STORIES CONCERNING HIJACKING.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.

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925PM NITEL 12/21/71 CRH

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)

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RE PUBLICITY OF SERIAL NUMBERS OF FEDERAL RESERVE NOTES
IN NEWSPAPERS.

BECAUSE OF LENGTH AND COMPOSITION OF LIST OF SERIAL
NUMBERS, NEWSPAPERS IN SAN FRANCISCO AREA ADVISED IMPOSSIBLE
TO PRINT ENTIRE LIST. THE OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, TRIBUNE HAS
PUBLISHED AN ARTICLE LISTING APPROXIMATELY THIRTY SERIAL
NUMBERS AND STATED COMPLETE LIST AVAILABLE AT FBI OFFICES.

SAN FRANCISCO IS SENDING A CIRCULAR LETTER TO ALL BANKING
INSTITUTIONS AND SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS ADVISING THAT
THE SERIAL NUMBERS OF ALL BILLS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE NEAREST
FBI OFFICE AND REQUESTING THEM TO BE ALERT TO ANY ACTIVITY
IN SAFETY DEPOSIT BOXES WHEREIN TWENTY DOLLAR BILLS INVOLVED.

ALSO LOCAL PRESS RELEASE BEING MADE TO ANNOUNCE SERIAL
NUMBERS OF BILLS AVAILABLE AND TO REQUEST ARTICLE BE PLACED
IN NEWSPAPERS PROCLAIMING THIS.

AN ALL AGENTS MEMO HAS BEEN DISTRIBUTED BY SAN FRANCISCO
OFFICE REQUESTING CONTACT WITH ALL LOGICAL GIS AND PCIS AND
SOURCES.

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9:28 PM NITEL 12/22/71 DCA

TO DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

FROM SEATTLE (164-81) 1P DAILY TELETYPE

NORJAK

SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE ADVISED THAT SAN FRANCISCO NEWSPAPERS UNABLE TO PRINT ENTIRE RANSOM LIST DUE TO LENGTH OF LIST. OAKLAND TRIBUNE, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA HAS PUBLISHED AN ARTICLE LISTING APPROXIMATELY THIRTY SERIAL NUMBERS AND STATING COMPLETE LIST AVAILABLE THROUGH OFFICES OF FBI. OTHER NEWSPAPERS BEING REQUESTED TO PUBLISH INFORMATION CONCERNING AVAILABILITY OF SERIAL NUMBERS.

SAN FRANCISCO IS CIRCULARIZING BANKING INSTITUTIONS AND SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS ADVISING THEM OF AVAILABILITY OF SERIAL NUMBERS AND REQUESTING THEM TO BE ALERT TO ACTIVITIES INVOLVING TWENTY DOLLAR BILLS.

[REDACTED] DEVELOPED AS A SUSPECT THROUGH CHECK OF RECORDS OF BRANIFF AIRLINES, ELIMINATED AS SUSPECT AS HE WAS PRESENT [REDACTED], CALIFORNIA, EIGHT AM TO FIVE PM, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST.

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REVIEW OF RECORDS OF HUGHES AIR WEST DEVELOPED NO ADDITIONAL SUSPECTS.

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NR 006 PD PLAIN

3:57 PM URGENT 12-22-71 LJO

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) (P) 1P

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RE SEATTLE TELETYPE TO BUTTE AND OTHER OFFICES, DECEMBER TWENTY SEVENTYONE.

ALL LOGICAL INFORMANTS IN OREGON ARE IN PROCESS OF BEING CONTACTED

BANK ROBBERY SUSPECT PROGRAMS HAVE BEEN REVIEWED AND ARE RECEIVING CONTINUOUS ATTENTION IN CONNECTION WITH THIS CASE.

OREGON BANKERS ASSOCIATION FORWARDED PERTINENT INFORMATION TO ALL BANKS IN OREGON ON DECEMBER SEVENTEEN SEVENTYONE AND SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION WILL SEND SAME INFORMATION TO ALL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS IN OREGON THIS WEEK. ALL BANKS AND SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS IN OREGON HAVE BEEN FURNISHED WITH LIST OF RANSOM SERIAL NUMBERS.

SAC HAS CONTACTED OREGONIAN AND OREGON JOURNAL, BOTH PORTLAND, NEWSPAPERS. ENTIRE RANSOM LIST CANNOT BE PRINTED BECAUSE OF COST BUT FEATURE STORIES OF HIJACKING WILL BE RUN IN EARLY EDITIONS.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DAILY TELETYPE

NORJAK.

WEST COAST OFFICES WERE REQUESTED TODAY TO:

ONE, CONTACT ALL INFORMANTS; TWO, REVIEW BANK ROBBERY SUSPECT PROGRAM WHERE NORJAK UNSUB COULD BE A SUSPECT; THREE, CONTACT BANKERS ASSOCIATIONS AND REQUEST THEY CIRCULARIZE TO BANKS AND SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS TO ALERT THEIR EMPLOYEES TO ANY LARGE DEPOSITS OF TWENTY DOLLAR BILLS OR UNUSUAL SAFE DEPOSIT ACTIVITY; FOUR, ARRANGE FOR PUBLICATION LIST OF IN LOCAL NEWSPAPERS OF THE FACT THAT THE/RANSOM BILLS ARE AVAILABLE TO THE LOCAL POLICE DEPARTMENT, BANKS, AND FBI OFFICES, TO CHECK SUSPECTED TWENTY DOLLAR BILLS.

SEATTLE ALSO HAS REQUESTED FIELD OFFICES COVERING HEADQUARTERS OF MAJOR U.S. AIRLINES TO CONTACT THE AIRLINES TO DEVELOP ANY LIKELY SUSPECTS AMONG THEIR PERSONNEL OR APPLICANTS, WHO MIGHT FIT THE DESCRIPTION OF THE UNSUB NOTING THAT HE TOLD STEWARDESS [REDACTED] THE REASON FOR HIJACKING WAS THAT HE HAD A GRUDGE.

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164-81-1440Approved: _____
Special Agent in ChargeSent 10³¹ P M

Per _____

DB Cooper-30116

NR 006 LV PLAIN

935 PM NITEL 12-20-71 EB

TO SEATTLE 164-81

FROM LAS VEGAS 164-60

NORJAK

RE SEATTLE TEL CONCERNING PUBLISHING ARTICLE ADVISING
OF AVAILABILITY OF RANSOM LIST.

NEWSPAPERS IN RENO AND LAS VEGAS, NEVADA, CONTACTED
CONCERNING POSSIBILITY OF PUBLISHING AN ARTICLE. SUCH AN
ARTICLE WILL BE PUBLISHED AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE TIME.

NEWSPAPERS IN RENO AND LAS VEGAS ONLY CONTACTED SINCE
THESE ARE THE ONLY LARGE METROPOLITAN AREA IN THIS STATE AND
HAVE STATEWIDE COVERAGE.

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TO BUTTE (164-26)

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SACRAMENTO (164-50)

SALT LAKE CITY (164-24)

SAN DIEGO (164-91)

SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)

FROM SEATTLE (164-81) 2P

NORJAK.

RECEIVING OFFICES ARE REQUESTED TO CONTACT ALL LOGICAL
INFORMANTS FOR ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING CAPTIONED MATTER
CONCERNING WHICH BACKGROUND INFORMATION HAS PREVIOUSLY BEEN
FURNISHED. RECEIVING OFFICES ARE ALSO REQUESTED TO REVIEW BANK
ROBBERY SUSPECT PROGRAMS FOR THE IDENTITIES OF ANYONE INCLUDED IN
THESE PROGRAMS WHO COULD BE CONSIDERED SUSPECT IN CAPTIONED MATTER.
ADDITIONALLY, RECEIVING OFFICES ARE REQUESTED TO CONTACT BANKERS
ASSOCIATION OR SIMILAR GROUPS WHICH CIRCULARIZE BANKS REQUESTING
THAT BANKS BE CIRCULARIZED AND BANK AND SAVINGS AND LOAN
ASSOCIATION EMPLOYEES BE REQUESTED TO BE ALERT FOR ANY LARGE
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DEPOSITS OF TWENTY DOLLAR BILLS OR EXCHANGES OF TWENTY DOLLAR BILLS FOR OTHER BILLS OR ANY RECENT RENTAL OR UNUSUAL ACTIVITY IN AN ALREADY RENTED SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX WHEREIN THE HIJACKER MIGHT HAVE STASHED THE RANSOM MONEY IN THIS MATTER. TO ACHIEVE WIDE CIRCULARIZATION OF THE RANSOM LIST, SEATTLE HAS ARRANGED WITH A SEATTLE NEWSPAPER TO PRINT A SHORT FEATURE ARTICLE INFORMING THE PUBLIC THAT THE LIST OF RANSOM BILLS HAS BEEN DISTRIBUTED TO LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES, BANKS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS. THE PUBLIC HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT IF THEY FEEL THEY HAVE ONE OF THE RANSOM BILLS THE NUMBER MAY BE CHECKED THROUGH THEIR LOCAL POLICE DEPARTMENT OR THROUGH THE FBI OFFICE.

RECEIVING OFFICES ARE REQUESTED TO CONTACT APPROPRIATE NEWSPAPERS IN AN EFFORT TO KEEP BEFORE THE PUBLIC THE FACT THAT THE LIST OF THE TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS IN TWENTY DOLLAR BILLS, PAID TO THE HIJACKER, IS AVAILABLE FOR CHECKING THROUGH THE LOCAL POLICE DEPARTMENTS OR FBI OFFICE. -P-

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FBI PORTLAND CLR TU

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : FILE (164-81)

DATE: 12/20/71

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 315
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

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On 12/17/71 I talked to [REDACTED]
[REDACTED], Washington Bankers Association, and
requested him to send a bulletin to all of their members,
requesting that they alert their employees to any large
deposits in the amount of \$20 denominations, any strange
use of safe deposit boxes, large payments on notes or
mortgages where bills of \$20 denomination in substantial
numbers are used, and at the same time asked that they
check these bills against the list of hijacked bills.

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11:13 PM NITEL 12/17/71 DCA

TO PORTLAND LAS VEGAS
SAN FRANCISCO SACRAMENTO
FROM SEATTLE (164-81) IP

MORJAK

WITH REFERENCE TO SEATTLE'S COMMUNICATIONS, WITH RESPECT TO
HAVING NEWSPAPERS PUBLISH THE LIST OF RANSOM BILLS, THE RECEIVING
OFFICES ARE REQUESTED TO ADVISE IF ANY SUCCESS HAS BEEN ACHIEVED.

SAN FRANCISCO IS REQUESTED TO CONTACT THE BANKS AND SAVINGS
AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS TO HAVE THEM ALERT FOR ANY LARGE DEPOSITS OF
TWENTY DOLLAR BILLS OR THE RECENT RENTAL OF A SAFE DEPOSIT BOX OR
ACTIVITY IN AN ALREADY RENTED SAFE DEPOSIT BOX WHEREIN THE HIJACKER
MIGHT HAVE STASHED THE TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS.

ALL RECEIVING OFFICES ARE REQUESTED TO CONTACT THE NEWSPAPERS
AND HAVE THEM PUBLISH AN ARTICLE ADVISING OF THE AVAILABILITY OF
THE RANSOM LIST. - P -

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FBI SACRAMENTO

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FILE (164-81)

12/17/71

SAC, SEATTLE

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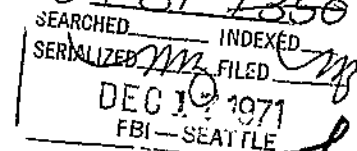
On 12/17/71 I talked to [REDACTED],
[REDACTED], SEATTLE TIMES, and advised him that the Bureau
was unwilling to spend the approximate \$1500 cost involved
in publishing the list of bills. He said they still have
the matter under consideration and would possibly run the
list anyway.

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[REDACTED], SEATTLE P-I, advised
that they still have the matter under consideration and he
will let me know.

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DB Cooper-30123

NR047 WA PLAIN

6:14PM NITEL 12-14-71 LMR

TO SEATTLE

FROM DIRECTOR 1P

MORJAK.

RE SEATTLE TELETYPE DECEMBER FOURTEEN LAST REQUESTING
AUTHORITY TO EXPEND UP TO SIXTEEN HUNDRED DOLLARS FOR PUBLICATION
OF THE RANSOM LIST IN A LOCAL NEWSPAPER.

BUREAU AUTHORITY IS NOT GRANTED FOR THIS EXPENDITURE AT THIS
TIME. SUGGEST SEATTLE ENCOURAGE LOCAL PAPERS IN SEATTLE AND
NEIGHBORING DIVISIONS' TERRITORIES TO REPUBLISH INFORMATION THAT
RANSOM LIST IS AVAILABLE AND ENCOURAGE PUBLIC TO CONTACT LOCAL
FBI OR LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY CONCERNING SUSPECTED BILLS.

SEATTLE SHOULD INSURE THAT TERRAIN SEARCHES ARE VIGOROUSLY
PURSUED BY ALL INTERESTED OFFICES AND SOLICIT COOPERATION OF
LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT, FORESTRY PERSONNEL, HUNTING GROUPS, AND
OTHER LOGICAL PERSONS WHO WOULD BE IN THE AREA OVER WHICH THE
HIJACKED AIRCRAFT TRAVELED.

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FBI SEATTLE

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ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

NORJAK

ASAC CHARLIE DULINSKY called from Las Vegas. He said that with regard to SAC MILNES' phone call earlier today, they had arranged with the banks to check any large deposits of 20's and to advise the FBI of any suspicious situation where anybody attempted to change 20's for other denominations. They have also alerted the casinos in the major cities to the same type of operation.

In regard to the newspaper, he advised that the newspaper in Reno was not willing to publish the ransom list.

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Date: 12/13/71

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STO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

NORJAK.

IN ORDER TO SECURE MAXIMUM DISTRIBUTION OF THE SERIAL NUMBERS OF THE MONEY PAID IN THIS CASE, [REDACTED] SEATTLE TIMES, SAC CONTACT, HAS BEEN APPROACHED BY ME TO DETERMINE IF THE PAPER WOULD BE WILLING TO PUBLISH THIS LIST.

[REDACTED] HAS ADVISED THAT A STUDY OF THE COST OF THIS MATTER REVEALS THAT LABOR COSTS IN COMPOSING WOULD RUN APPROXIMATELY SIX HUNDRED DOLLARS AND THE NEWS PRINT COST WOULD RUN APPROXIMATELY ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS. SHOULD THEY PUBLISH THIS AT THE PUBLIC SERVICE RATE, THE COST WOULD BE APPROXIMATELY THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND AT THE REGULAR COMMERCIAL RATE, IT WOULD RUN APPROXIMATELY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS. HE HAS ADVISED THAT BY PROVIDING A PREPRINTED MAT, THE COMPOSITION COST COULD NOT BE ELIMINATED SINCE THEIR UNION CONTRACT WOULD REQUIRE THAT THE COST BE PAID NONETHELESS. [REDACTED] HAS INQUIRED IF THE BUREAU WOULD BE WILLING TO PAY THE ACTUAL COST UP TO SIXTEEN HUNDRED FOR PUBLISHING THIS LIST.

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Approved: _____
Special Agent in Charge

Sent 11:44 P M Per [Signature] sub M

DB Cooper-30126 164-81-1155

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Date:

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(Type in plaintext or code)Via _____
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I PRESUME THE COST WOULD BE COMPARABLE IF OTHER DAILY NEWSPAPERS WERE REQUESTED TO PUBLISH THE LIST SINCE ALL WOULD BE FACED WITH THE SAME OR SIMILAR PROBLEMS.

[REDACTED] OF THE SEATTLE POST-INTELLIGENCER, HAS ALSO BEEN APPROACHED BY ME CONCERNING THIS MATTER BUT HAS NOT RESPONDED THUS FAR TO MY INQUIRY.

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I KNOW OF NO WAY WHERE THE LIST COULD BE MADE AVAILABLE TO AS MANY PEOPLE AS PUBLICATION THROUGH A DAILY NEWSPAPER. THE SEATTLE TIMES CIRCULATES THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF WASHINGTON, ITS PRINCIPAL CIRCULATION AREA BEING THE SEATTLE METROPOLITAN AREA. IN THE EVENT MAXIMUM ADVANTAGE OF THIS TECHNIQUE IS TO BE OBTAINED, THEN I WOULD SUGGEST THE SAME STEPS BE TAKEN BY A DAILY NEWSPAPER IN PORTLAND, SACRAMENTO, SAN FRANCISCO AND POSSIBLY RENO, NEVADA.

BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO ADVISE IF IT WOULD AUTHORIZE THE EXPENDITURE OF UP TO SIXTEEN HUNDRED DOLLARS FOR PUBLICATION OF THIS LIST IN THE SEATTLE TIMES.

DB Cooper-30127

Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

1015 Second Avenue
Seattle, Washington 98104.

December 10, 1971

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Dear :

I appreciate your thoughtfulness in writing to me and forwarding your suggestion concerning the distribution of the list of currency paid in the hijacking of Northwest Airlines Flight 305.

While undoubtedly there is considerable merit to your suggestion, we have not been in the practice of selling the material we distribute. We are trying to get this published through the news media. Whether we succeed or not will be determined in time.

Sincerely yours,


J. E. MILNES
Special Agent in Charge

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ASAC

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DB Cooper-30128

Sub. M.
164-81-449

December 3, 1971

MEMO TO EARL MILNES

Dear Earl:

After I called you this morning, I told [] I would call back in the afternoon but I was [] and didn't get back as early as I had figured.

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With current events as they are, I know that you have your hands full and I don't intend to take but just a moment of your time.

[] were discussing the extensive list which had to be printed and sent out with regard to the currency which was turned over to the hijacker and the cost (to the taxpayers) which was run up in getting the booklet printed and mailed all over the country. This may or may not be a matter of particular interest to you, [] came up with an idea which might help recover some of those printing costs and, with any luck, might even turn up some of the items which are listed.

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That is for the FBI to get a news release out to every daily newspaper (thru AP or UPI wire) that copies of the list of bills, in booklet form, are available to anyone interested at a cost of \$1.00 apiece. Not that she nor I subscribe to the "hero-worship" concept we've been reading about, but we believe there'd be hundreds who would like to get ahold of a copy...either for curiosity's sake or as a souvenir item. In addition to making the books available for a buck apiece, the news item could also point out that if an actual bill was turned up, J. Edgar Hoover would buy it back for \$21.00, thereby returning their investment on the book.

I know it may sound weird but, on the other hand, I can see how it also might even turn up some real good leads.

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12/9/71

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)
FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)
SUBJECT: NORJAK

Re San Francisco airtel to Bureau, 12/8/71.

The San Francisco Office will need an additional 340 copies of the ransom bills paid in captioned case, for distribution to the Police Departments, Sheriff's Offices, District Attorney's Office, etc.

2 - Bureau (RM)
1 - Seattle (164-81)
1 - San Francisco
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November 10, 1971

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (-P-)
SUBJECT: NORJAK

Re Bureau airtel 12/7/71.

Enclosed are three copies of a letter addressed to the U.S. Secret Service Headquarters in Washington, D.C., explaining the photographing at Seattle, of the ransom money in captioned case.

For the Bureau's information, the Seattle-First National Bank, who provided the film of the ransom money, advises that the film may be maintained by the FBI, Seattle, to be preserved as evidence in this case.

3 - Bureau (Encl 3)
3 - Seattle
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Very truly yours,

Special Agent in Charge

2 - Adm. Serv.
2 - Seattle (164-81)
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Sub. M
164-81-1069

1015 Second Avenue
Seattle, Washington 98104
December 10, 1971

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RECALL

Mr. James J. Rowley,
Director,
U.S. Secret Service, (164-2111)
Room 921,
1800 G Street Northwest, (164-2111)
Washington, D.C., 20226

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
Northwest Airlines Flight #305,
Portland to Seattle,
November 24, 1971
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

Dear Sir: The postmarking at Portland, of the air mail
copy is as follows:

Northwest Airlines Flight #305 enroute from
Portland, Oregon, to Seattle, on November 24, 1971, was
hijacked and a ransom demand made of Northwest Airlines
for \$200,000. The FBI was contacted by the FBI, Seattle,
on November 24, 1971, at 1:15 PM.

The hijacker instructed that the \$200,000 as
well as four parachutes be ready by 5:00 PM, on November
24, 1971.

Northwest Airlines then arranged with Seattle-First
National Bank, Seattle, to make the \$200,000 available and
the same was microfilmed for later evidentiary use. The
film is now in possession of the Seattle Office of the
Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Very truly yours,

J.E. Milnes,
Special Agent in Charge

3 - Addressee
3 - Seattle (164-81)
CEF:klb
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : FILE (164-81)

DATE: 12/10/71

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE

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SUBJECT: NORJAK

On 12/10/71 I called SA HENRY SHUTZ at the Bureau.

I told him we were contacting a number of daily newspapers, urging them as a public service to publish serial numbers of the bills taken in this case. I suggested that as an economic matter it might be more desirable to have the Bureau prepare a mat containing these numbers, which could be distributed to newspapers and used by them as a means of printing and thereby, hopefully, be able to encourage more to print the list.

I talked to SA BLAND about this matter and he advised that it would have to be initiated by the investigative division.

... SA SHUTZ called me back on 12/10/71 and advised they were exploring the possible costs of this matter and would let us know Monday.

In the meantime I had talked to [redacted] of the SEATTLE P-I, and to [redacted] of the SEATTLE TIMES, inquiring of them if as a public service would they be interested in publishing the list. Both advised it would be considered and they would let us know.

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AIRMAIL

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)
FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)
SUBJECT: NORJAK

The San Francisco Office has received 100-150 of the ransom bills paid in captioned case. We want to distribute this list to all the banks, savings and loan, Federal credit unions, and hotels within the San Francisco Division. As a result, San Francisco will need an additional 1900 copies of this list.

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1 - Seattle (164-81)
1 - San Francisco
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FBI

Date: December 7, 1971

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To: SAC, Seattle
From: Director, FBI
NORJAK

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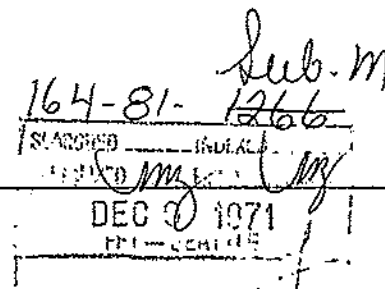
Reurairtel 11/25/71. *1B(3)*

Enclosed are the films forwarded the Bureau in connection with captioned matter. Seattle should insure these films are protected as evidence. If it is necessary to return any of this material to the source, insure that they are appropriately advised of the evidentiary nature of this material and take appropriate precautions to insure its return if needed. Consider contact with the U. S. Attorney's Office prior to returning the films for his guidance.

In accordance with Section 66, Volume III, Manual of Instructions dealing with photographing ransom or loot, immediately submit a letter suitable for dissemination to U. S. Secret Service Headquarters in Washington, D. C.

Enclosures (3)

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

12/9/71

ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

NORJAK

On 12/9/71 I called SAC MATTSON in Portland, SAC CAMPBELL in Las Vegas and ASAC MORLEY in San Francisco.

I talked to all of them about publishing the ransom list in a newspaper of wide circulation in their areas. All of them said they believed they could have this done, would do it and let us know.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

12/9/71

ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

NORJACK

I called the Bureau on 12/9/71 and talked to SA HENRY SHUTZ. I told him it was our feeling here that we should get cooperative newspapers to publish this bait list and to generate as much enthusiasm as we could among the public and perhaps somebody would come up with one of these \$20 bills. I wondered if the Bureau had given consideration to instructing all SAC's to have this done.

He called back and said they were not going to do this because first, they did not think most newspapers would publish it; second, they did not want all SAC's to have the feeling that they had to get it published, which might cause a great deal of difficulty around the field. He said he thought their instructions were sufficient, that if we could arrange to get it published in our division, and if we wanted to call other offices on a selected basis, and see if the SAC's could work out some arrangement to publish it, he would leave that up to us. He definitely stated that we had authority to get the list published if we so desired.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

12/8/71

ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;
NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

BOB PETERSON called from Division 6 today.
He said that the publicity concerning the ransom list
had been approved and we should be receiving official
confirmation from the Bureau very soon.

PRB:klb
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Date 12/7/71

TO: SAC, Albany
 LEGATS Ottawa
 Mexico City

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FROM: Director, FBI (164-2111)

"CHANGED"NORJAK

The title is marked "Changed" to reflect the code word "NORJAK" to facilitate the handling of the numerous communications in connection with this investigation. This matter was formerly captioned, "Unsub; Northwest Airlines Flight 305, 11/24/71, CAA - Hijacking. OO: Seattle." All offices are instructed to use the code word "NORJAK" in all communications in this investigation.

In connection with the additional dissemination of the ransom list already furnished the field, all offices are instructed to further disseminate this list on any basis considered practical and appropriately advise the Bureau and office of origin of any positive information developed. The loot in this matter consists entirely of \$20 bills and it is questionable that large banks and bank-type institutions would effectively screen their \$20 bills due to the volume of this type of bill that would be handled.

All offices should insure that the composite drawing of the unknown subject is thoroughly disseminated to parachute clubs and associated groups with particular attention being

2 - All Field Offices

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7:31PM NITEL 12-8-71 LRS

TO ALL SACS

FROM DIRECTOR 2P

RANSOM -

MORJAK

FOR YOUR INFORMATION, THE FOLLOWING PRESS RELEASE WAS
ISSUED NATIONALLY THIS DATE."4

-559RNEY GENERAL JOHN N. MITCHELL ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT
A "RANSOM LIST" OF THE KNOWN SERIAL-NUMBERED BILLS THAT WERE
GIVEN TO THE HIJACKER OF NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE
ZERO FIVE ON NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, NINETEEN SEVENTY ONE, HAS
BEEN PREPARED AND IS BEING DISTRIBUTED BY THE FBI THROUGHTOUT
THE COUNTRY.

FBI DIRECTOR J. EDGAR HOOVER ADVISED THAT THE "RANSOM
LIST," THIRTY FOUR PAGES IN LENGTH, CONTAINS THE SERIAL NUMBERS
OF TWENTY DOLLAR FEDERAL RESERVE NOTES WHICH WERE PAID TO THE
HIJACKER FOR THE RELEASE OF THIRTY SIX PASSENGERS AND TWO CREW
MEMBERS. THE HIJACKER BOARDED THE FLIGHT AT PORTLAND, OREGON,
AND HIJACKED THE PLANE JUST PRIOR TO ARRIVAL IN SEATTLE,
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6:09AM NITEL 12-8-71 JDD

TITLE (164-81)

FROM PHOENIX (164-100)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,

NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST. CAA - HIJACKING. OO SEATTLE.

RE PHOENIX TELETYPE TO SEATTLE DECEMBER SIX LAST, AND SEATTLE
TEL CALL TO PHOENIX ON DECEMBER SEVEN INSTANT.

TWENTY DOLLAR BILLS MENTIONED IN REFERENCED COMMUNICATION AND
TELEPHONE CALL SEARCHED THROUGH NCIC WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED BY THE PHOENIX
DIVISION IN THIS REGARD.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

12/7/71

SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;
NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SE

RE: PUBLICITY

On 12/6/71, copies of the list of ransom money
were furnished to the following:

All hotels, motels in the State of Washington;

All hotels, motels in the Vancouver, B.C. area

Liquor stores, State of Washington;

Law enforcement agencies, State of Washington;

Federal Savings & Loan Associations, and

Federal Credit Unions.

Above distribution totalled 2300.

CEF:klb
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FILE (164-81)

12/7/71

SAC, SEATTLE

UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

On 12/7/71 SA [] called from the Bureau and advised that they had just sent up a memo to the Director recommending that the Bureau make a national press release concerning the availability of the serial numbers of the money paid to the hijacker. I had discussed this with [] and SA [] on 12/6/71 and recommended that it be done, and at the same time encourage the publication of the list by any newspaper inclined to do so.

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I suggested that the public be advised that the numbers were in the NCIC and that they could be checked immediately.

JEN:con
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Date: 12/7/71

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(Priority)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)
UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION.
OO: SE.

TO COMPLETE CIRCULARIZATION IN THIS TERRITORY,
PLEASE FORWARD AN ADDITIONAL ELEVEN HUNDRED COPIES OF
RANSOM MONEY LIST.

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Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

NR 03 PX PLAIN

1056 PM NITEL 12-6-71 WJG

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM PHOENIX (164-100) 2P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND
TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, LAST. CAA - HIJACKING;
EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE BUREAU AIRTEL TO ALL OFFICES, NOVEMBER TWENTYNINE LAST.

ON INSTANT DATE, [REDACTED]

PHOENIX, ARIZONA ADVISED THAT ON DECEMBER FOUR LAST A [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CAME INTO ONE

[REDACTED] BRANCHES AND PURCHASED A CASHIERS CHECK IN THE AMOUNT

[REDACTED]
THE BANK EMPLOYEE ISSUING THE CASHIERS CHECK WAS SUSPICIOUS

[REDACTED] BEHAVED

IN A STRANGE MANNER.

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12/7/71.

I advised SA [REDACTED] in Phoenix to check those
numbers through the NCIC.

JEM:con

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11:41 AM URGENT 12/3/71 VLS

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM SACRAMENTO (164-50) 1P

UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOV. TWENTYFOUR, LAST. CAA - HIJACKING;
EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SACRAMENTO TEL, DEC. TWO, LAST.

LIST OF SERIAL NUMBERS OF MONEY PAID TO HIJACKER DISSEMINATED
DEC. TWO, LAST, TO FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND LAW ENFORCEMENT
AGENCIES IN SACRAMENTO DIV.

SACRAMENTO MAKING ARRANGEMENTS WITH BEALE AFB FOR AREIAL PHOTO-
GRAPHY OF ROUTE TAKEN BY NORTHWEST FLIGHT. AIRCRAFT TO BE UTILIZED
IS SR SEVEN ONE, HIGH ALTITUDE COMPUTERIZED RECONNAISSANCE PLANE
WHICH PHOTOGRAPHS TWENTY MILE WIDE PATH. MAP OF NORTHWEST FLIGHT
OVER WASHINGTON AND OREGON TERRITORY FORWARDED TO SACRAMENTO BY
UNITED AIRLINES NIGHT DEC. TWO, LAST, HANDCARRIED TO BEALE AFB THIS
AM.

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JJT FBI SEATTLE CLR

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

12/2/71

SA [REDACTED]

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UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE;
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE

On 12/2/71, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Seattle-First National Bank, Seattle, Washington,
advised that the ransom money paid in instant hijacking,
was made up of all used 20 dollar bills, selected at random
and without sequence.

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He stated the bills were made up in packets of
\$2,000 each and were banded with Seattle-First National
Bank or Federal Reserve Bank bands or quite possibly banded
with bands from other banks.

No identifying marks were placed on these bands.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

12/2/71

SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SE

Re: PUBLICITY

The list of the ransom money should be distributed,
in addition to the regular mailing list, to the following:

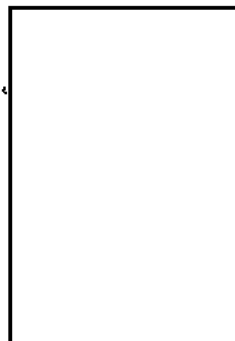
1. All law enforcement agencies;
2. Liquor stores;
3. Hotels
4. Motels
5. Savings & Loan Associations, if not already
included in the mailing to the banks;

CEF:klb The original circularization on 12/1/71, of some 960
(3) copies of the ransom bills which were sent to all
banks and branches were prepared from the Un. Bankers
Association list.

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*Following sent 12/15/71
1st Mutual Savings Bank
Prosser Mutual Savings Bank
United Mutual Savings
State Mutual*



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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

12/1/71

ASAC PAUL R. BIDLER

UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE
11/24/71
CNA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE
BUfile 164-2111

SAC RUSS CALAME called from Salt Lake City today.

He furnished the serial numbers of seven bills
which he wanted checked through the ransom list. These
bills are:

G52 908 479 A
I01 068 248 A
H01 525 937
E60 215 520 A
I08 595 154 A
H00 543 526 A
B20 940 278

They were checked and none of them were on the
list. CALAME was advised by telephone.

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On November 25, 1971, [redacted]
[redacted] Seattle-First National Bank,
the head office being in Seattle, Washington, provided the
following information:

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[redacted] upon being advised of the identity of the writer, handed the writer a film canister containing a microfilm, upon which the serial numbers of \$250,000 worth of notes were recorded. He advised that of the \$250,000 worth of notes, the Federal Bureau of Investigation should only be concerned with the \$20 bills, that is the serial numbers of the \$20 bills, because the hijacker received only \$20 bills. [redacted] stated that there are \$230,000 worth of \$20 bills recorded on the microfilm. [redacted] advised that in order for the Federal Bureau of Investigation to determine the serial numbers of the \$20 bills which the hijacker actually received, we must subtract serial numbers which he provided me from the total list of serial numbers on the microfilm.

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[redacted] provided a list of serial numbers of \$20 totaling \$30,000 worth of notes, which, although they were on the microfilm itself, were not part of the \$200,000 worth of \$20 bills which the hijacker received. [redacted] stated that the bank packs \$20 bills in packages of 1000. Each packet therefore contains \$2,000 worth of \$20 bills.

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[redacted] provided the first and last serial number in each of these \$20 bill packets and advised that we should subtract both of these numbers, as well as the 98 serial numbers between each of these groups of numbers in order to determine the actual serial numbers of the bills which the hijacker received. These groups of numbers are as follows:

L41197159A thru E12561828B
L33639577A thru L20458572A
J02051511 thru I00466866
L33410247A thru L32378753A
C05722105A thru G16813690A
G98535159A thru L14348853A
L34429987A thru L19556442A

Interviewed on 11/25/71 at Seattle, Washington File # SE 164-81-894 *Sub.M*

by SA [redacted] /mlc Date dictated 12/1/71

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Date: November 29, 1971

Transmit the following in _____

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To: All Offices Except
Seattle, Portland, Las Vegas

cc: Ransom

From: Director, FBI (164-2111)

UNSUB; NORTHEAST AIRLINES
FLIGHT 305, 11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING
OO: SEATTLE

Enclosed for each receiving office are two copies of an artist's conception of captioned unsub.

Shortly after 3:00 p.m. Pacific Standard Time (PST) 11/24/71, a lone white male traveling from Portland, Oregon, to Seattle, Washington, on captioned flight displayed the contents of his brief case to a stewardess indicating to her it was a bomb which would be exploded unless his demands were met. The hijacker indicated his willingness to exchange the safety of the 36 passengers and crew for \$200,000 in cash and four parachutes. He instructed that the plane circle the Seattle airport until his demands were met at which time the plane landed. Once the money and parachutes were loaded and the plane was being refueled, the hijacker allowed the passengers and two airline stewardesses to deplane leaving a flight crew of three males and one female and the hijacker aboard. The hijacker indicated a desire to fly to Mexico City and instructed the plane to take off flying at a low altitude and slow speed, maintaining a southerly direction. Upon demand the hijacker was instructed on lowering the rear passenger door while the aircraft was in flight. He was last seen in the aircraft by crew members at 8:05 p.m. PST, when he instructed

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SE
BUfile 164-2111

In conference this evening with the SAC, J.E. MILNES, it was decided that we should decide as soon as possible what circularization we are going to make and ask other offices to make of any wanted flyer issued in this case. This should of course, include flying clubs, parachute clubs, air fields, airlines, Veterans' Administration, doctors, hospitals and clinics and possibly others.

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3:56PM URGENT 11/29/71 VAB

TO DIRECTOR

FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOV. TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE. CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION.

REBUTEL THIS DATE.

, SEATTLE FIRST NATIONAL BANK, SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, WHO PROVIDED THE MONEY PAID ON THIS CASE ADVISES THAT THE MONEY IN THE BAG WEIGHTED NINETEEN POUNDS AND THE CONTENTS MEASURED ELEVEN INCHES BY TWELVE INCHES BY SIX AND ONE HALF INCHES.

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11-26-71

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AIRMAIL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
ATTENTION: LABORATORY DIVISION

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)(P)

SUBJECT: UNSUB;
Northwest Airlines Flight #305,
Portland to Seattle,
11-24-71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: Seattle

Enclosed for the Laboratory are two rolls of microfilm containing serial numbers of bills to be compared to microfilm already on hand in order to determine exact serial numbers of bills given to hijacker..

Microfilm already submitted represents \$230,000.00 of which \$200,000.00 given to hijacker. New film currently being submitted contains serial numbers of six lots of bills, each containing \$50,000.00 totaling \$300,000.00. Film 1 contains lots 1 through 5; film 2 contains only lot 3. The \$30,000.00 of the original microfilm which was not given to the hijacker is contained either at the end of lot 5 or at the end of lot 6.

The \$20 bills in question in lot 5 begin with the serial number L34346374A and end with serial number E50344506A. The \$20 bills in question in lot 6 begin with the serial number L18031099B and end with the serial number L09729057B on the microfilm.

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SUB-MONEY

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-NEW)

SUBJECT: UNSUB;
Northwest flight 305
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

Re Seattle teletype, 11/25/71.

Enclosed herewith is one box of Recordak Microfilm (developed) for use in a Recordak Reliant 600K microfilm viewer.

On November 25, 1971, [redacted] [redacted] Seattle-First National Bank, 4th and Madison, Seattle, Washington, provided SA [redacted] with a microfilm canister containing photographs of the serial numbers of \$250,000 worth of notes, in various denominations. [redacted] advised that the Bureau should only be concerned with the serial numbers of the \$20 bills. The extortion package which was given to the hijacker contained only bills of \$20 denomination. [redacted] said the microfilm contained the serial numbers of \$230,000 of \$20 bills. He provided a list of serial numbers of the \$20 bills which were on the microfilm, itself, but were not included in the extortion money package which the Unsub received. These \$20 bills are packed in packets of 100 bills; and [redacted] provided the first and last serial numbers in each of these packets of 100 bills. He advised that these serial numbers

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① (1 - hand-carried package by courier)
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On November 27, 1971 [redacted], a man who is familiar with parachute clubs and jumpers in the southwestern part of Washington and northern part of Oregon, advised that a person jumping from a plane at about 7000 feet who had experience could free fall and while doing so could count to 25 seconds which would then place him at 3000 feet and for this reason no altimeter would be needed. He pointed out that if the subject could have seen the ground there would be no problem in landing if he had experience as a jumper. He further pointed out that his experience as a jumper shows him that the subject would not have needed jump boots, a helmet, jump suit, or any other special equipment for he and other chutists jump in shorts, tennis shoes, and other non-jumping equipment when weather conditions are right. He also pointed out that the subject could land within one mile of a pin point spot picked if he had experience and knew when to jump. Further, he stated the subject would have travelled 1/2 to 3/4 of a mile from the drop line from the plane in a 30 mile per hour wind if he opened his chute at 3000 feet. [redacted] also advised that he could also state that if the subject had experience he would know that the easiest place to put a container with the money would be between his legs and this would not cause any problems on landing or during descent. [redacted] suggested one person whom he thought could be capable of the hijacking and that would be [redacted], who is a good and experienced parachutist and pilot.

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[redacted] advised that the parachute clubs in the area he is familiar with are the Pacific Parachute Club which uses Donald airfield 30 miles south of Portland, Oregon, and the Western Sport Parachute Center which uses both the Frink field and the Hockinson field near Vancouver, Washington; he pointed out that Puckett airfield is no longer used as a jump center.

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On November 28, 1971 [redacted], Vancouver Piper Aviation, 209 East Reserve Street, Vancouver, Washington, was contacted and advised that he and a group of experienced pilots had been discussing the hijacking and he advanced the theory that in view of the cloud cover on the night of November 24, 1971 only an experienced jumper knowing

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

12/21/71

SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

NORJAK

RE: MINI MARKER

SA MANNING made available an advertisement clipped from a magazine concerning a "mini" marker.

This small marker beacon receiver apparently could be used to "home in" on a given frequency.

The literature will be maintained in the 1A section of this file.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

12/4/71

SA THOMAS J. MANNING

UNSUB;
Northwest Airlines Flight 305
Portland to Seattle 11/24/71
OO: Seattle
CAA - H IJACKING; EXTORTION

A recent communication from Portland made reference to an [redacted] [redacted] recently hearing a five minute transmission of emergency sending equipment for distress purposes which all civilian and military aircraft carry. The Portland Division has been asked to continue contacts with National Guard based at Portland International Airport where [redacted] for further transmissions of this device.

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Investigation at various airports throughout SW Washington have revealed from technical people familiar with this homing emergency device that frequently this device can be triggered into emitting the emergency signal upon a plane reaching a dive where 5 Gs is reached.

In view of no positive information of any type concerning the location from which this signal was transmitted (note two locations widely separated were mentioned by [redacted] no further investigation being conducted by Longview RA.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/4/71

FROM : SA JOHN L KETCHAM (P)

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE
BUFILE 164-2111

cc. SUB N.

On 12/4/71
called to suggest that there might be some possibility that a
radio receiver was in the hijacker's attache case. This could be
used in conjunction with a low frequency transmitter on the
ground - to know when to drop. He said this would put one within
a 3 mile radius from a 10,000 foot level jump on target.

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However, he noted too, that any transisterized receiver in use
should be reflected in the plane instruments - so pilot should be
able to tell that such was the case (transceiver in use)

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TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) P 2P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER
TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE. CAA - HIGHJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SEATTLE TELETYPE TO PORTLAND, NOVEMBER TWENTYNINE, SEVENTY-
ONE; AND PORTLAND TELEPHONE CALL TO SEATTLE, SAME DATE.

WAS CONTACTED AND ADVISED A VOR RECEIVING DEVICE WOULD BE TOO
BULKY TO BE CARRIED ABOARD THE FLIGHT UNSEEN, AND DUE TO THE
TECHNICAL EFFORT OF THE DEVICE, IT WOULD PROBABLY REQUIRE A GOOD
DEAL OF TRAINING IN ORDER TO OPERATE IT. HE ADVISED THE
SMALLEST MODEL OF THE VOR RECEIVING DEVICE IS TWO POINT SIX INCHES
BY THREE POINT TWO INCHES BY TEN POINT SEVEN IN LENGTH, WEIGHING
TWO POINT SEVEN POUNDS. SUCH A RECEIVER WOULD REQUIRE A TWELVE
VOLT BATTERY TO OPERATE PROPERLY, AND HORIZONTAL - POLARIZED
ANTENNA APPROXIMATELY THREE FEET IN LENGTH WHICH WOULD EITHER HAVE
TO BE EXTENDED FROM THE AIRPLANE OR ATTACHED TO THE WINDOW IN A
VERTICAL POSITION.

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[] ADVISED THE MOST LIKELY DEVICE TO BE USED IN SUCH A MANNER, AND DUE TO THE FLIGHT OF THE AIRCRAFT, WOULD BE THE MARKER BEACON RECEIVER, WHICH ACCORDING TO [] COULD BE MADE BY ANY PERSON WPTH THE SLIGHTEST KNOWLEDGE OF COMMUNICATION OR RADIO EQUIPMENT. SUCH A DEVICE COULD BE THE SIZE OF A PACKAGE OF CIGARETTES OR FOR A MORE EXACTING DEVICE, COULD BE ANY SIZE.

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[] ADVISED THAT THE BEACON RECEIVER WOULD WORK ON A NINE VOLT TRANSISTOR BATTERY AND SERIES WITH A NORMWL FLASHLIGHT BATTERY. SUCH A DEVICE CAN BE PURCHASED FROM ANY OF THE AVIATION COMPANIES FOR APPROXIMATELY TWO HUNDRED SEVENTYFIVE DOLLARS, WHICH [] ADVISED IS THE MINIMUM PRICE. ACCORDING TO [] THE MARKER BEACON RECEIVER WILL NOT INTERFER WITH ANY OF THE AIRCRAFT INSTRUMENTS, NOR CAN IT BE DETECTED WHILE IN USE.

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[] ADVISED THE DISTRIBUTORS OF SUCH A DEVPCE IS NARCO AVIONICS, WHICH HAS DISTRIBUTORS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY, INCLUDING FIVE IN OREGON AND FIVE IN WASHINGTON.

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BASED UPON THE ABOVE INFORMATION AND PORTLAND TELEPHONE CALL TO SEATTLE, IT IS SUGGESTED SEATTLE DIVISION REEVALUATE LEADS SET OUT IN REFERENCED COMMUNICATION.

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TO DIRECTOR (164-2111) PRIORITY

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ATTN: PERSONAL CRIMES UNIT

FORJAK; OO:SEATTLE.

RE TELEPHONE CALLS FROM SUPERVISOR [REDACTED], PERSONAL
CRIMES UNIT, TO PORTLAND, FEBRUARY 19 AND 22, 1968.

IN RESPONSE TO BUREAU REQUEST FOR SUMMARY OF INFORMATION ON
RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN THIS MATTER, THE FOLLOWING IS SET FORTH:

AT APPROXIMATELY 5:22 P.M., FEBRUARY 11, 1968, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED], VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON, TELEPHONICALLY
CONTACTED THE PORTLAND OFFICE TO ADVISE HE HAD FOUND SOME OLD DE-
COMPOSED \$20 BILLS, AND HE WANTED TO KNOW WHETHER THE BILLS WERE
BEING SOUGHT BY LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITIES. NCIC CHECKS OF TRADE
SERIAL NUMBERS FURNISHED BY [REDACTED] DISCLOSED TWO WERE ON FORJAK
WANTED LIST. THIRD SERIAL NUMBER FURNISHED CONTAINED TOO MANY

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WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE (164-301) (PRIORITY)

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NORJAK; CAA - HIJACKING, OO: SEATTLE.

RE ST. LOUIS TELETYPE TO SAN FRANCISCO, AUGUST 25, 1980.

ON SEPTEMBER 8, 1980, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] VETERANS ADMINISTRATION (VA), SAN
FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA, ADVISED THAT [REDACTED] ACCOUNT
NUMBER [REDACTED] IS CURRENTLY RECEIVING 100 PERCENT DISA-
BILITY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$950 PER MONTH. [REDACTED] DISABILITY
INCLUDES [REDACTED]

VA RECORDS INDICATE [REDACTED] PENSION IS SENT IN CARE OF
RAINIER BANK, 801 MAIN STREET, VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON.
LEADS. SEATTLE AT VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON. CONTACT SECURITY

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BY TELETYPE DATED AUGUST 26, 1980, SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE
FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

INVESTIGATION TO DATE HAS FAILED TO LOCATE ANY AIRLINE
RESERVATION FOR TRAVEL BY [REDACTED] TO LONDON.

TRAVEL ON SEPTEMBER 3, 1980, MERELY COMMENTS MADE BY [REDACTED] TO A
WASHINGTON, D.C. (WDC) ACQUAINTANCE AND HAS NOT BEEN CONFIRMED.

ON AUGUST 26 1980, [REDACTED]
ADVISED OF ABOVE AND REQUESTED TO DISCONTINUE ANY EFFORTS OR
PLANS REGARDING SURVEILLANCE OF [REDACTED].

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TO WASHINGTON FIELD (164-301) PRIORITY

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KONJAK, OO: SEATTLE (RE SUSPECT [REDACTED])

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UNSUB; AKA D. B. COOPER, CRIME ABOARD AIRCRAFT; INFORMATION
CONCERNING (OO: WASHINGTON FIELD).

RE WASHINGTON FIELD TEL TO ST. LOUIS, AUGUST 15, 1980, NO COPY
TO SEATTLE.

AVAILABLE RECORDS AT FEDERAL RECORDS CENTER, MILITARY BRANCH,
ST. LOUIS, MO., DISCLOSED [REDACTED] ENLISTED

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U.S. ARMY AIR CORPS AND SERVED ACTIVE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HONORABLY DISCHARGED AS [REDACTED] TO ACCEPT APPOINTMENT.

[REDACTED], UNDER SERVICE NUMBER [REDACTED] SSAN [REDACTED]

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ACCEPTED APPOINTMENT AS [REDACTED] U.S. ARMY AIR CORPS AT

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TO DIRECTOR FBI IMMEDIATE

ATTENTION PERSONAL CRIMES UNIT

FBI SEATTLE IMMEDIATE

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MORJAK, CAA, (OO:SEATTLE)

RE BUREAU TEL AUGUST 22, 1980.

WASHINGTON FIELD INVESTIGATION INTO THIS MATTER ON
JUNE 26, 1980 BASED ON TELEPHONE CALL FROM [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] OF A TRANSIENT TYPE TEMPORARY HOUSING FACILITY
IN WASHINGTON, D. C. (WDC). ACCORDING TO [REDACTED] A RESIDENT
IDENTIFIED AS [REDACTED] COULD POSSIBLY BE D. B. COOPER,
THE UNSUB IN CAPTIONED HIJACKING. [REDACTED] VIEWED COMPOSITE
DRAWING OF UNSUB, D. B. COOPER, AND STATED BASIC FACIAL
CHARACTERISTICS ARE SIMILAR.

SUBSEQUENT INVESTIGATION DETERMINED [REDACTED] IS
IDENTICAL TO HOLDER OF FBI NUMBER [REDACTED] A WHITE MALE

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FM DIRECTOR FBI

TO FBI SEATTLE IMMEDIATE

FBI WASHINGTON FIELD IMMEDIATE

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KORJAK; CAA. 00: SEATTLE

BY TELETYPE DATED AUGUST 22, 1980, LEGAT LONDON ADVISED:

RETELCALL OF SA [REDACTED] TO LEGAT, LONDON AUGUST 20, 1980.

ON AUGUST 22, 1980 [REDACTED] FUR-

NISHED COPY OF [REDACTED]

ALIAS D.B. COOPER

BORN [REDACTED] IS THE BELIEVED HIJACKER OF A NORTH
WEST AIRLINE JET ON 24/11/71. HIJACKER PARACHUTED OUT OF THE PLANE
WITH \$200,000 OVER MOUNTAINOUS TERRITORY. HIJACKER HAS MANAGED TO
AVOID ARREST TO THIS TIME. BECAUSE OF LACK OF HIS FINGERPRINTS AT

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TIME OF THE HIJACKING IT IS ESSENTIAL TO APPREHEND HIJACKER WITH MONEY RETRIVED AS A RESULT OF ACTS OF AIR PIRACY. WE RECEIVED INFORMATION FROM THE FBI THAT THE SUSPECTED HIJACKER PLANS TO ARRIVE AT LONDON HEATHROW AIRPORT AT 7:25A.M. ON PANAM FLIGHT NO. 106 ON 4/9/80 THE FBI BELIEVES THAT THE PURPOSE OF THIS TRIP IS TO RETRIVE MONEY OBTAINED IN HIJACKING OF 24/11/71. FBI IN WASHINGTON D.C. NOTIFIED FBI'S LEGAL ATTACHE IN LONDON CONCERNING THIS MAN. PLEASE CONDUCT DISCRETE SURVEILLANCE OF SUBJECT TO DETERMINE HIS MOVEMENTS. INCLUDING WHICH FINANCIAL INSTITUTION OR BANKS HE CONTACTS, IF HE WITHDRAWS LARGE SUMS OF MONEY, AND ADVISE THIS OFFICE OF TIME, DATE AND PLACE HE WILL RETURN TO U.S.A. FBI BELIEVES SUBJECT MAY TRAVEL TO NETHERLANDS OR PORTUGAL PRIOR TO HIS RETURN TO U.S.A. DESCRIPTION WHITE MALE 6 FT TALL 200 POUNDS. BLUE EYES EXCELLENT PHYSICAL SHAPE, LONG WHITE HAIR. THE PHOTOGRAPHS AND FINGERPRINTS WILL BE SENT BY DISPATCH LETTER IMMEDIATELY. DO NOT ARREST BASED ON THIS NOTICE."

IN RETELCALL, SA [REDACTED] ADVISED COMMUNICATION WOULD BE SENT TO LEGAT, LONDON WITH BACKGROUND AND REQUESTED INVESTIGATION. TO DATE, LONDON HAS NOT RECEIVED ANY COMMUNICATION THROUGH BUREAU CHANNELS. AT THIS JUNCTURE [REDACTED]

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TO WASHINGTON FIELD (164-301) ROUTINE

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UNSUB, AKA D. B. COOPER. CRIME ABOARD AIRCRAFT.

RE WFO TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, AUGUST 4, 1980.

ON AUGUST 13, 1980, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], RAINIER NATIONAL BANK, 801 MAIN STREET, VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON, WAS PROVIDED WITH A "CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE RIGHT TO FINANCIAL PRIVACY ACT OF 1978", DATED AUGUST 8, 1980; "FORMER WRITTEN REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL RECORDS", DATED AUGUST 8, 1980; AND A COURT ORDER, DATED AUGUST 8, 1980, FROM U. S. MAGISTRATE GILBERT KLEWENO, VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON, AUTHORIZING 90-DAY DELAY IN NOTIFICATION OF [REDACTED] AND PROHIBITING THE BANK FROM DISCLOSURE TO [REDACTED] FOR 90 DAYS. THESE DOCUMENTS PERTAINED TO ACCOUNTS OF [REDACTED] [REDACTED] PROVIDED RECORDS INDICATING [REDACTED]

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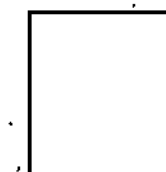
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TO FBI, SEATTLE ROUTINE

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UNSUB; AKA D.B. COOPER, CRIME ABOARD AIRCRAFT; INFORMATION
CONCERNING

RE WFO TELCALL TO SEATTLE AUGUST 4, 1980.

WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE (WFO) INVESTIGATION INDICATES

A [REDACTED] DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IS PRESENTLY SUSPECTED OF POSSIBLY
BEING IDENTICAL TO CAPTIONED UNSUB.

ACCORDING TO A WFO SOURCE [REDACTED] IS CURRENTLY PLANNING
LIQUIDATION OF HIS BANK ACCOUNT FROM RANIER NATIONAL BANK
(VANCOUVER WASHINGTON BRANCH) BY HAVING MONEY WIRED TO ANOTHER
ACCOUNT FOR CONFIDENTIAL LIQUIDATION IN WASHINGTON, D.C. (WDC).

[REDACTED] OPENED A SAVINGS ACCOUNT AT D.C. NATIONAL BANK ON AUGUST 4,
1980 BY WIRE FROM HIS ACCOUNT IN VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON.

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TO WFO PRIORITY VIA HQ

PORTLAND PRIORITY VIA HQ

SEATTLE PRIORITY VIA HQ

BT

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UNSUB, AKA D. B. COOPER, CAA - HIJACKING (A), OO: PORTLAND.

RE WFO TELCALL TO ANCHORAGE, JULY 30, 1980.

WFO INFORMED AN UNSUB HAD APPLIED FOR PASSPORT AT WASHINGTON, D.C. WILL PICK UP PASSPORT FRIDAY AM, AUGUST 1, 1980, AND HE MAY BE SUBJECT OF THIS INVESTIGATION. UNSUB APPLIED FOR PASSPORT AS [] BORN []

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ALASKA WAS U. S. TERRITORY PRIOR TO 1959. TERRITORIAL BIRTH RECORDS AT ALASKA STATE BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS, JUNEAU, ALASKA, CONFIRMED [] WHITE MALE, WAS []

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[REDACTED], WHITE FEMALE, [REDACTED], BORN [REDACTED],

[REDACTED] NO OTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE
AT VITAL STATISTICS.

ALASKA JUSTICE INFORMATION SYSTEM (AJIS) STATE COMPUTER HAD
NO RECORD IN CRIMINAL FILES OR DRIVER'S LICENSE FILES ON [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ANCHORAGE POLICE DEPT HAD NO RECORD OF [REDACTED]
ANCHORAGE CITY DIRECTORIES OF 1953, 1954, 1955, 1963, 1970, 1975,
1979, AND 1988 HAD NO RECORD OF [REDACTED] ANCHORAGE
INDICES NEGATIVE ON [REDACTED].

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TO DIRECTOR FBI (164-2111) ROUTINE

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FBI PORTLAND ROUTINE

FBI SEATTLE ROUTINE

FBI ST. LOUIS ROUTINE

FBI BALTIMORE ROUTINE

FBI PITTSBURGH (164-93) ROUTINE

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UNCLAS.

NORJAK (A); (00:SEATTLE)

RE PITTSBURGH TELETYPE DATED JUNE 26, 1980.

ON JULY 22, 1980, SC SADIE L. DYE CAUSED A SEARCH TO BE
MADE OF THE CURRENT AND RETIRED FILES OF THE PASSPORT OFFICE,
DEPARTMENT OF STATE, AND WAS ADVISED NO RECORD WAS LOCATED

CONCERNING [REDACTED] BORN [REDACTED]
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TO DIRECTOR (164-2111) ROUTINE

SEATTLE (164-81) ROUTINE

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UNCLAS

NORJAK, CAA - NIJACK (A); (OO: SEATTLE)

RE BUFFALO TELCAL TO BUREAU, JULY 18, 1980.

FOR INFO OF BUREAU, ASAC [REDACTED] BUFFALO WAS
ASSIGNED TO SALT LAKE CITY DIVISION AT TIME OF CAPTIONED HIJACKING.
DURING COURSE OF INVESTIGATION OF HIJACKING CASE COMMITTED BY
SUBJ RICHARD FLOYD MC COY, JR., APRIL 9, 1972, SIMILARITIES WERE
NOTED BETWEEN SUBJECT OF NORJAK CASE AND MC COY. INTENSIVE
INVESTIGATION WAS CONDUCTED BY SU DIVISION AND OTHER DIVISIONS
TO ESTABLISH WHETHER, IN FACT, MC COY WAS THE PERPETRATOR OF THE
HIJACKING IN NORJAK. BUREAU FILES WILL CONTAIN RESULTS OF THAT
INVESTIGATION DURING PERIOD APRIL, 1972 THRU SUMMER, 1972.

AS BUREAU AND SEATTLE ARE AWARE, THERE WAS LITTLE PHYSICAL

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MORJAK, (A) OO: SEATTLE)

RE PITTSBURGH TELETYPE TO BUREAU, JUNE 26, 1980.

ST. LOUIS TELETYPE AND AIRTEL TO BUREAU JULY 2, 1980.

PERSONNEL, FEDERAL RECORDS CENTER (CIVILIAN PERSONNEL RECORDS)

111 WINNEBAGO, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, ADVISED THAT NO RECORDS OF
EMPLOYMENT COULD BE LOCATED AT THIS CENTER FOR RICHARD A. ARMSTRONG,
BORN AUGUST 3, 1937, HIGH POINT, NORTH CAROLINA.

UAC, NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED AT ST. LOUIS.

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NORJAK; CAA - HIJACKING (A); OO: SEATTLE

RE LAS VEGAS TELETYPE TO THE BUREAU, DATED JULY 3, 1980,
AND SEATTLE TELCAL TO SACRAMENTO, DATED JULY 10, 1980.

FOR INFORMATION OF SEATTLE, RECORD CHECKS AT THE YUBA
COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, YUBA CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT, MARYSVILLE
POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE BUTTER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE WERE
NEGATIVE REGARDING ANY ARREST RECORD FOR JACK SCOTT FARMER.

REFERENCED SEATTLE TELCAL INQUIRED REGARDING DMV AND CI&I
CHECKS, WHICH WERE FORWARDED TO SEATTLE ON JULY 2, 1980, BY
SACRAMENTO AIRTEL, WERE ALL NEGATIVE REGARDING FARMER.

THERE ARE INDIVIDUALS IN THE YUBA CITY AREA WHO ARE FAMILIAR
WITH FARMER AND [REDACTED] YUBA CITY,
CALIFORNIA.

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TO FBI SEATTLE (164-81) (P) ROUTINE.

FBI LAS VEGAS ROUTINE

FBI SACRAMENTO ROUTINE

FBI SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) ROUTINE

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NRJAK; CAA - HIJACKING.

RE SEATTLE TELETYPES JUNE 24, 1980 AND JUNE 28, 1980.

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED UNIDENTIFIED LATENT FINGERPRINTS AND
LATENT IMPRESSION, (FINGERPRINT OR PALM PRINT) NOT FINGERPRINTS.

[REDACTED] UNITED STATES ARMY SERVICE NUMBER [REDACTED]

BORN [REDACTED]

UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS SERVICE NUMBER [REDACTED]

BORN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]; OR GARTH HUDSON DUNNING UNITED STATES ARMY DB Cooper-30214

SERVICE NUMBER 19213544, BORN DECEMBER 18, 1927 IN CHICO,

CALIFORNIA. NO PALM PRINTS CONTAINED IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

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FM: FBI WASHINGTON FIELD (164-301) (P)

TO: FBI SEATTLE ROUTINE

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U N C L A S

UNSUB; AKA, D. B. COOPER; CRIME ABOARD AIRCRAFT.

ON JUNE 26, 1980, AN INDIVIDUAL KNOWN AS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] OFFICERS SERVICE CLUB,

WASHINGTON, D.C. (WDC), TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED THE WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE, (WFO) REGARDING AN INDIVIDUAL KNOWN AS [REDACTED] WHO CURRENTLY RESIDES AT THE CLUB.

[REDACTED] DESCRIBED [REDACTED] AS 45-50 YEARS OLD; 5'11" TO 6' TALL, MEDIUM BUILD, EXCELLENT PHYSICAL CONDITION AND UNTIL RECENTLY WEARING A BEARD. [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT [REDACTED] IS AN AVID WOODSMAN AND PURPORTED PARATROOPER. [REDACTED] KEEPS TO HIMSELF AND IT IS UNKNOWN WHERE HE GOES EACH DAY, HOWEVER, IT IS BELIEVED HE IS UNEMPLOYED.

A PHOTOGRAPH OF SEVERAL COMPOSITE DRAWINGS WERE SHOWN TO [REDACTED] AND REVEALED THAT THE BASIC FACIAL CHARACTERISTICS AND HAIR LINE OF [REDACTED] ARE SIMILAR TO

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THE PHOTOGRAPHS. [] ADVISED THAT [] HAS PREMATURE GREY HAIR AND WEARS IT RATHER LONG. [] HAS THREATENED TWO OF THE TENANTS AT THE OFFICERS SERVICE CLUB AND IS CONSIDERED BY [] TO HAVE A PERSONALITY CONDUCTIVE TO A POSSIBLE HIJACKING ATTEMPT.

[] ADVISED THAT [] HAS \$900 PER MONTH WIRED TO THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA NATIONAL BANK, WDC, OF WHICH \$250 IS DEDUCTED FOR HIS RENT. THE REMAINING \$650 IS CASHED BY [] AND GIVEN TO [].

[] ADVISED THAT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS IS PRESSURING HIM TO ASK [] TO GIVE UP HIS APARTMENT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, HOWEVER, WFO HAS REQUESTED HIM TO DELAY THIS ACTION.

[] IS KNOWN TO HAVE A PLEASANT VOICE AND ALWAYS WEARS "OUTDOOR CLOTHING" AS IF HE WERE GOING HIKING IN THE MOUNTAINS. [] IS NEVER SEEN WITHOUT A BACK PACK. HIS SKIN IS DESCRIBED AS FAIR AND HIS EYES ARE BLUE.

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TO DIRECTOR (164-2111) ROUTINE

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SACRAMENTO ROUTINE

SEATTLE ROUTINE

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MORRIS; CAA - HIJACKING (A), OO: SEATTLE.

RE SEATTLE TELETYPE TO BUREAU DATED JUNE 27, 1969.

INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED AT THE NEVADA LODGE, CRYSTAL BAY, NEVADA, HAS IDENTIFIED GARTH HUDSON DUNNING AS FOLLOWS:

WMA, DOB DECEMBER 18, 1927, 5'9", 165 POUND, BROWN AND BROWN, SSAN 553-32-8519, DOUGLAS COUNTY, NEVADA SHERIFF'S OFFICE NUMBER C30382, NO KNOWN ARRESTS, LAST KNOWN ADDRESSES OF 55 ST. FRANCIS DRIVE AND 1293 MARION AVENUE, BOTH IN CHICO, CALIFORNIA, REPORTED MISSING AND PRESUMED DROWNED AT CRYSTAL BAY, AUGUST 5, 1969.

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JACK SCOTT FARMER DESCRIBED AS WMA, DOB MAY 22, 1944, 6', 185 POUNDS, BLOND AND BLUE, SSAN 568-58-4306, WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA SHERIFF'S OFFICE NUMBER A18825, NO KNOWN ARRESTS, LAST KNOWN ADDRESS 591 CASSIDY, YUBA CITY, CALIFORNIA, REPORTED MISSING AND PRESUMED DROWNED AT CRYSTAL BAY, AUGUST 5, 1969.

ON JULY 1, 1980, FINGERPRINT CARD FOR DUNNING OBTAINED FROM DOUGLAS COUNTY, NEVADA SHERIFF'S OFFICE AT MINDEN. ATTEMPTS TO LOCATE FINGERPRINT CARD FOR FARMER AT WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA SHERIFF'S OFFICE, REBO, NEVADA, TO DATE, HAS BEEN NEGATIVE. THIS CARD APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN LOST OR MISPLACED, HOWEVER, FINGERPRINT CLASSIFICATION IS AVAILABLE.

SACRAMENTO DIVISION SHOULD CONTINUE EFFORTS TO SECURE FINGERPRINT CARD FOR FARMER THROUGH CII, DMV OR POSSIBLY THROUGH LOGICAL AGENCY IN YUBA CITY, CALIFORNIA.

LAS VEGAS DIVISION WILL FORWARD TO THE BUREAU THE FINGERPRINT CARD OF DUNNING AND THE CLASSIFICATION OF FARMER. WILL FORWARD TO OTHER OFFICES THE WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA SHERIFF'S OFFICE REPORT RE DROWNING AND RESULTS OF INTERVIEWS AT NEVADA LODGE, CRYSTAL BAY, NEVADA.

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ATTN: LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION, IDENTIFICATION DIVISION.

MORJAK (A). OO: SEATTLE

RE PITTSBURGH TELETYPE TO THE BUREAU, JUNE 26, 1980.

RE SUSPECT RICHARD ARMSTRONG:

MILITARY SERVICE RECORDS ON FILE AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI,
DISCLOSED RICHARD ANDREW ARMSTRONG, ASN 52 523 651 (SSAN 247 52 1113),
SERVED ON ACTIVE DUTY IN U. S. ARMY (USA) FROM JULY 10, 1961, TO
JULY 15, 1963. HONORABLY RELEASED FROM ACTIVE DUTY AS PRIVATE FIRST
CLASS DUE TO EXPIRATION OF TERM OF SERVICE. DISCHARGED FROM USA
RESERVE JUNE 30, 1967.

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ARMSTRONG ATTENDED AIRBORNE SCHOOL IN DECEMBER, 1961. JUMP
RECORD LISTS 15 PARACHUTE JUMPS.

ARMSTRONG BORN AUGUST 3, 1937, HIGH POINT, NORTH CAROLINA. FBI
NO. 883 560 D. PHOTOGRAPH NOT AVAILABLE.

COPIES OF PERTINENT ARMY RECORDS BEING FURNISHED SEATTLE BY
MAIL.

IDENTIFICATION DIVISION, COMPARE FINGERPRINTS OF ARMSTRONG,
FBI NO. 883 560 D, WITH LATENT FINGERPRINTS PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED
IN THIS MATTER, IF NOT ALREADY DONE.

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NORJAK; CAA - HIJACKING (A), OO: SEATTLE.

RE SEATTLE TELETYPE TO BUREAU, JUNE 27, 1980.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF ALL OFFICES SAN FRANCISCO INDICES.

SHOW THREE REFERENCES TO A [REDACTED] ONE

REFERENCE WAS IN NOVEMBER, [REDACTED] AND THE OTHER TWO ARE IN [REDACTED].

THE FILE NUMBER IS THE SAME, [REDACTED] AS IS THE BIRTHDATA,

[REDACTED] THIS INDIVIDUAL DES-

CRIBED AS WHITE MALE WITH ASN US [REDACTED]

IT APPEARS THAT UNDER THE FILE DESTRUCTION PROGRAM THIS

FILE 42-36712 HAS BEEN DESTROYED AT SAN FRANCISCO.

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NORJAK; CAA - HIJACKING (A); OO: SEATTLE.

RE SEATTLE TELETYPE TO THE BUREAU JUNE 14, 1980, AND
SAN FRANCISCO TELETYPE TO THE BUREAU DATED JUNE 26, 1980.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF LAS VEGAS AND SACRAMENTO, THE
ABOVE REFERENCES REFLECT THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION. SEATTLE
HAS BEEN NEGOTIATING WITH A WRITER, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MOUNTAIN VIEW, CALIFORNIA, FOR THE PAST
THREE WEEKS REGARDING A POTENTIAL SUBJECT OF CAPTIONED CASE.

[REDACTED] BELIEVES HIS RESEARCH REGARDING "D.B. COOPER" HAS UNCOVERED

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TO DIRECTOR (164-2111) (ROUTINE)

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ATTENTION: SA [REDACTED] IDENTIFICATION DIVISION,

LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

MURKIN; CAA-HIJACKING (A), OO: SEATTLE.

RE SAN FRANCISCO TEL CALLS TO SEATTLE, JUNE 24 AND
JUNE 25, 1988.

[REDACTED] APPEARED AT THE SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE ON
THE AFTERNOON OF JUNE 24, 1988. HE EXPLAINED THAT HE DID NOT
HAVE THE FINGERPRINT CARD FOR THE POTENTIAL SUBJECT. HE SAID
HE DETERMINED THAT THIS INDIVIDUAL HAD WORKED FOR BARNEY'S
CLUB IN THE LAKE TAHOE - STATELINE AREA AND THAT THE ACTUAL
CARD OR MICRO-FILM OF THIS CARD WERE IN THE POSSESSION OF
THE CLUB AND/OR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE. HE SAID THAT AS A

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